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• Family Home Evening groups tonight at campus wards.

• BYU wrestling team plays Cal State Fullerton at Fullerton.

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**MAKING THE GRADE:** Seth Beal, 21, a sophomore from Woodinville, Wash. majoring in political science, studies in anticipation of earning an A grade. The chances of netting an A or A minus in a BYU class are pretty good, according to University statistics.

## What does an A mean, anyway?

Depends on who you ask. To some, it means going to class every day, reading a few chapters out of a textbook and cramming for a final. Easy.

To others, it means much more: memorizing formulas, spending hours in a research lab, writing book-size literary research papers in different languages. Not so easy.

The lines that used to be drawn between A, B, C, D and F are dimming fast. No longer does a C mean average. In fact, the average grade at BYU is a 3.09 — a B. More and more, A's and B's are the marks that grace BYU report cards. Forty-six percent of all grades given at BYU are in the A range.

This issue addresses the question of why grades at BYU, and many other universities including the Ivy League, are higher than ever. We'll talk about how high grades affect scholarship distribution and how the marks are sometimes adjusted for inflation at post-graduate learning institutions.

While we're at it, we'll talk about what happens when the grade listed on the report card doesn't match test scores, how students sometimes "grade" teachers and whether the curve helps or hurts students.

## Grade inflation edging out C grades; students now earn more A's

By **BRADY LONG** and **REBECCA REEVES**  
Universe Staff Writers

Although grade inflation has been an issue at BYU over the last ten years, it peaked this fall when the BYU Office of Institutional Studies reported that 46 percent of all undergraduate grades for Fall 1992 were in the A range.

And grades continue to rise. Currently, the university's average GPA is a 3.09.

Some attribute grade inflation, at least in part, to the rising standards and caliber of BYU students. According to Academic Vice President John Tanner, the issue is two-sided.

"You've got two approaches to grade inflation," he said. "One is that the grades are too high. The other is that the caliber of students has improved and the grades just reflect that improvement."

The latter explanation is the primary reason grades are rising, according to Associate University Registrar M. Wayne Childs.

"If, in fact, the quality of our students has risen, and the grades don't change, what does that say?" he said. "Shouldn't grades reflect that?"

But not everyone agrees. Richard Davis, a professor of political science, said the severity of BYU's grade inflation problem would suggest BYU has the best students in the nation.

"Ivy League institutions have even worse grade inflation than we do. But they justify it on the basis that they really do have stellar individuals," he said. "BYU isn't at that point to be able to say we have 40 percent getting A's because they deserve it. Nobody quite buys that argument yet."

"Are our students at BYU really above average or are we just giving easy grades?" asks Hart Wixom, part time communications faculty member.

Jim Harper, associate dean of the College of Family Home and Social Sciences, said he is more

concerned with grades that are not rising to reflect the improvement in the caliber of students.

"Of more concern to me is where the failure rates are high — that's more troubling," he said.

BYU's administration has no policy to control grading.

Doug Smoot, dean of the College of Engineering and Technology said the college is not too dramatically affected by grade inflation because they have

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— Hart Wixom,  
Communications Department

guidelines they follow to help control it.

"We concerned ourselves (with grade inflation) 10 years ago. We felt like we should give guidelines — these aren't firm, demanded limits but they are guidelines," he said.

The grading policy is left up to each college to ensure academic freedom.

"The instructor has the right to grade and give the grades that he or she wants to give," Smoot said.

Academic freedom for instructors is limited, though, by the students' expectations for high grades, Davis said.

"The students have come to expect high grades and when they don't get them they complain bitterly. It makes it difficult to give out what we think are average grades," he said.

Moreover, student evaluations are important in tenure review and promotions.

He said this makes giving accurate, objective grades even more difficult.

Wixom said he doesn't think faculty want to be known as easy graders, but they have to be careful when grading.

"Our job is not to make students happy, it's to help them reach their potential," he said.

While grade inflation may be natural and justified, many believe it endangers academic freedom, the reputation of BYU and graduate school and employment opportunities of students.

"I do think grade inflation is something to worry about. We have organizations who seek our students and if our grades are substantially out of line, people start to question the integrity of the University," Smoot said.

Harvard looks at how its grades compare to other institutions, said Jeffrey Wolcowitz, assistant dean of undergraduate education at Harvard. Last year they called the problem to faculty attention, but didn't ask for anything to be done about it.

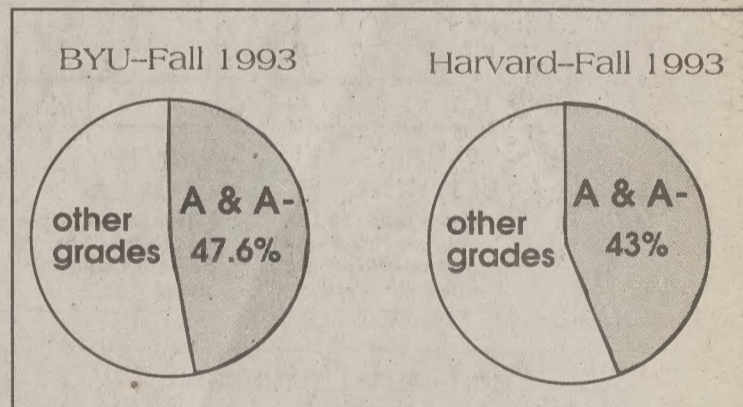
It used to be that C was considered average, but now it's considered below average, Smoot said.

Regardless of grade inflation, the average grades of each college differs substantially, Smoot said. Students in a college with a lower average are at a disadvantage regardless of grade inflation. Grade inflation just compounds it, he said.

Wolcowitz said Harvard sees it as two separate issues — grade inflation and grade inequity.

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## Grade Inflation



• Current Average GPA at BYU -- 3.09

• 29% of undergraduates have a GPA of 3.75 or higher

• Fall 1992, 28.2% of grades given were A's, 17.8% were A minuses

Source: BYU Office of Institutional Studies

Graph by Rana Lehr

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## 'High-risk teaching' promotes true learning experience

By **D. CECIL CLARK**  
Special to the Universe

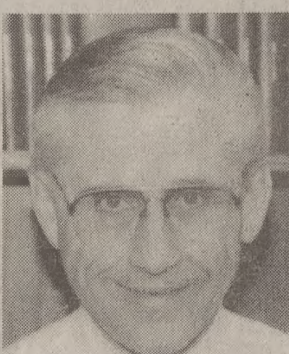
It was Winter semester 1992. I had just handed back one of my exacting midterms with the predictable score of 62 percent. On this day students were more than testy — they were angry!

"If we know the material, why is the class average so low?"

"More than one answer can be correct on at least half these items."

"Fifteen percent A's, you said. What does that do to student motivation?"

For 29 years I had skillfully fielded these questions. I knew most of my multiple choice items had good dis-



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crimination indexes and appropriate difficulty levels — they were valid and reliable measures of the course material. But years of this kind of testing had worn on me. I was starting to question my lifelong beliefs about teaching and grading.

Then it happened. Tom Uharriet, the silent English major on the back row, raised his hand. He was calm and deliberate and penetrating:

"Let me see if I understand. Your objective for this course is for us to develop a rational personal philosophy of teaching, to learn how to identify and solve classroom problems, to become independent and thoughtful

about the teaching act."

"Uh huh."

"But your tests ask us to think like you do or get down-graded."

"Well, I want you to know the knowledge base of teaching that is found in the text."

"But you and your colleague wrote the text."

Dead silence. Seventy-seven pairs of eyes were poised on me, waiting quietly. I reached inside for some rational, academic tradition, even a fair-minded explanation for my practices. None came. I just stood there, struggling with my thoughts: "What have you really taught your students all these years? Maybe if you taught chemistry or physics or math — but this is teacher education. Are there well-established truths about how students develop into good teachers? Do you want students to become independent thinkers? Will memorizing your

book do it? You can't let go of the control, can you?"

In that moment, I felt a professional weariness I had never before experienced. I surrendered in the internal academic battle.

"Tom, you are absolutely right. All of you turn back in your exams. I will purge them of my own orientations and re-score them." The students sat stunned. That was two years ago. Even though I am still unable to part with my carefully constructed multiple-choice and essay exams, I no longer use them — due to the nature of my course objectives.

During the following weeks, my long-held teaching paradigm began to erode. Teacher as dispenser of information (and often wisdom) and student as passive receptacle, a slate to be written on. Perhaps I got tired of

**HIGH RISK** ▶ page 2

# Scholarship policy challenged by high GPAs, limited funds

By RACHEL SAUER  
Universe Staff Writer

The growing number of students with high GPAs and the limited amount of scholarship funds is creating new challenges to the ways scholarships are distributed, especially in disciplines with rigorous grading systems.

Scholarships are currently awarded based on GPA alone. The requirement for a half-tuition scholarship is a 3.75 GPA, and a 3.9 GPA is required for a full-tuition scholarship. Before Fall 1993, these standards were a half point lower.

The high grades show diligence on the students' part, said Sue DeMartini, BYU scholarship director. "Unfortunately, it presents a series of challenges for the scholarship department," she said.

Twenty-five percent of BYU's undergraduate population — 6,800

students — receive some type of scholarship, DeMartini said.

Of the students with scholarships, 2,983 have a 3.85 or better and 913 have a 4.0 average, said Cecelia Fielding of public communications.

One of the greatest challenges facing the scholarship committee is determining whether certain departments grade on a more stringent scale and how the awarding of scholarships might be adjusted to compensate.

"Awarding scholarships solely on a GPA basis is not fair to departments where the rigor of the courses has pushed the GPA down," said Donald Wright, chairman of the Microbiology Department.

"To be honest, it's very difficult to get A's in some of the classes I've taken," said Christine Long, a senior from Salina, Kan. majoring in microbiology. "The competition is intense."

One of the most important considerations should be equality among the

different departments in awarding scholarships to students, Wright said.

"It's important to look at grading within a department," said Peter Bates, chairman of the Mathematics Department. "For instance, people tend to get lower grades in math courses because the grading is more rigorous."

These concerns are being analyzed through statistical research done in institutional studies, DeMartini said.

"We are in the stage of gathering information substantiated with actual proof to see if there is a problem in

the current system of awarding scholarships," she said.

She said the office is meeting with the faculty and student advisory committees, General Education and parents to have the information gathered by next fall.

Scholarship officials are also determining how long students keep scholarships. The impact of classes taken and the college a student is in will also have an influence on getting or keeping a scholarship, DeMartini said.

Another problem is the limited

funds from which scholarships are drawn.

"It's hard to satisfy all applicants when the resources are limited," DeMartini said. "Every time you make a change you impact someone. Different criteria means someone who might previously have received a scholarship would get less or none at all."

Before changes are made in any program, analysis is made of the previous year's applicant pool, to determine who would be impacted by any new policies made in applicant criteria.

Some faculty and students have suggested ways the system should be revised. Many point to the University of Utah's system as an example where scholarships are awarded by GPA, leadership abilities, community activities, letters of recommendation and need.

"We won't know what changes should be made, if any are necessary, until the studies are completed," DeMartini said. "However, we want to be fair to the departments and the students and leave lots of options open."

## HIGH RISK *from page 1*

holding power — power to control what students memorized and occasionally applied. Perhaps it was facing the truth that my students were not undergoing significant changes in their thinking. Perhaps I simply yearned for greater integrity in my own professionalism.

So I embarked upon a personal experiment: high-risk teaching. The risk for me was relinquishing power — all power. What I had left was my expertise. Today I prepare more deeply and teach more carefully than ever before.

Students are given course requirements. They hand in work regularly and I offer my best assessment of their progress, but all the time we both know who is in charge of their grade.

I ask them to thoughtfully read the text in its entirety. Most do. They select personally relevant concepts and demonstrate, through writing, their understanding of those concepts. I offer feedback about their thinking, their changes, their needed growth.

For the first time in my career I have started trusting students — completely.

My best estimate is that about 3 percent take total advantage of me. The rest have surprised me. About 90 percent yearn for this responsibility. Some 7 percent become anxious and want no part of it.

Comments about growth follow this pattern:

"For the first time I'm learning because I want to learn — it's for me and not for some professor."

"It's agonizing, but I'm growing, really growing."

Students report classroom discussions are open and intense and authentic. Students do not worry about being graded on what they say. They seem to listen more earnestly to each other than they had before. On good days, I sense we are approaching the goal of becoming a community of learners.

Although one requirement is that the students have no more than three unexcused absences, I keep only a mental roll. Attendance is higher than I have experienced in all my years of teaching — even when I took roll.

In my course evaluations, students have spent far more time asserting their own growth and learning than they have evaluating my course.

Last block, I gathered a bit of anecdotal data on student grading practices. Usually on the final day, with all the data before them, students assign their own grade and offer a rationale for their decision. This time, in addition, I privately assigned each student a grade based on my own assessment of effort and achievement. Overall, about half gave themselves somewhat higher grades than I would have awarded. But I sit alone in my office and think, "So what! Students want responsibility for their learning, they are learning to take it, and they are growing in ways I have been unable to achieve — and I have stopped helping them evade their responsibility."

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### Weather

YESTERDAY in Provo	MONDAY	TUESDAY
High: 35 Low: 21  Precipitation as of 5 p.m. yesterday  Yesterday: .01" (1/2" snow) Month to date: 1.93" Water season to date: 5.39"	 <b>PARTLY CLOUDY</b> Highs near 30 degrees. 30 percent chance of evening snow showers.	 <b>PARTLY CLOUDY</b> Highs in the upper 20s to low 30s. 20 percent chance of snow.

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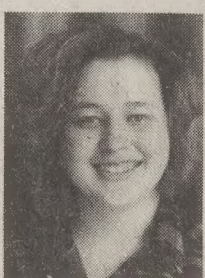
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"Know ye not that they which run in a race run all, but one receiveth the prize? So run, that ye may obtain."  
--1 Corinthians 9:24

This is Becky Wadham's favorite scripture because "it helps me keep an eternal perspective and reminds me of my eternal goals."

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# Grades don't mean what they used to

By ROBERT PUTNAM  
Special to the Universe

Unfortunately, grades are not what they used to be. No longer is an A such a rare event, and B's seem to be swarming as badly as their biological counterparts, bringing the whole GPA system into question, especially here at BYU.

It is well known that the math and science courses here at BYU are among the most difficult and demanding of any courses taught. These classes are also generally among those courses with the lowest average class grades. There is a reason for this. Professional and graduate schools demand a grade that is comparable to those given at other universities. As a result, these departments work to meet a standard that is consistent with related departments at other universities.

Even with these standards, BYU is experiencing grade inflation. I recently learned from a friend that when his medical school application was reviewed, his GPA was "normalized" by reducing it by a "few tenths" of a point. This was done because BYU already has a reputation for grade inflation. This is not a reputation we should be proud of. In fact, if not corrected, it is reason enough for motivated students to not come here for their education.

In the past, if students received a C in a class it meant they had done average work in that class. That implied nothing about their performance in the rest of the university or the world for that matter. A C simply meant that compared with their peers in that class, they did average work. This principle was also applicable to a student's overall GPA. This is not the case anymore. Nearly three-fourths of the grades

given in all undergraduate classes at BYU are a B or better. Furthermore, there are classes where the average GPA given in the class is a 3.8 or higher. It is no wonder the medical school involved felt my friend's GPA may have been inflated.

Grade inflation also poses a major hurdle for the scholarship program. How do we guarantee the GPA accurately reflects the student's performance? Let me pose a very plausible scenario. Two incoming freshmen are offered scholarships. One studies in the natural sciences and one studies in another unrelated discipline. After one year the science student loses her scholarship to someone else because she was not able to keep her total GPA high enough. She received A minus grades in demanding science and math courses, while the other student did not study in science and kept his scholarship by getting straight A's in courses with average grades significantly higher.

Is it fair that the first should lose her scholarship? This type of scenario happens and will continue to happen. As this occurs, scholarship money will be removed from the sciences into other disciplines, disproportionately representing other fields of study.

An equitable procedure for scholarship decisions would include an adjustment or weighing of each student's grades compared to the average grade in that student's classes.

This solution could help to reduce grade inflation by giving incentive to maintaining a class average at a more realistic value. This could be accomplished by requiring better or more work of the students. The really good work and efforts of students would then be recognized, rather than the sometimes average work

and efforts that are now often rewarded with high grades having no meaning.

It can be argued that the students at BYU have improved and the incoming freshmen now boast higher high school GPAs and ACT scores. However, grades should instead be used to differentiate between students' performance here at BYU.

The only way to distinguish between students' performance is to compare the grades they earn, and the only way one can compare students' grades is if the grading system accurately differentiates between students. If students are indeed of higher quality, then the standards should increase with the quality of students. The outstanding students are cheated when they become "only slightly above average" because they receive an A in a class with an average grade of 3.7.

Many universities have reputations for accepting higher caliber students. BYU has such a reputation; therefore, if BYU graduates a student with a valid 3.5, or higher, the rest of the world should know that the student was among the best of the best. However, for this to happen, we must validate our GPA system by making it a true indicator of an individual's performance.

It is not my intent to suggest that BYU lower the value of its diploma; I am proud of mine. I simply see a problem that, if not corrected, will devalue a BYU student's education and the University's reputation. It is also time to correct what appears to be an imbalance in the distribution of scholarship funds to those who have received inflated grades.

Putnam graduated from BYU with a degree in chemistry in 1992. He is now a graduate student in physical chemistry.

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For the 1965-66 school year, the mean grade at Harvard in the social sciences, humanities, and natural sciences was between a B and B minus. For 1990-91, the mean grade in natural sciences was between B and B plus and in humanities and social sciences it was higher than B plus.

Since then, grades in the natural sciences have gone up a bit more, Wolcowitz said.

Of all those affected by grade inflation, the students should be the most concerned, Smoot said. He said the entire grading system has been skewed by grade inflation, and thus it

is more difficult for students to evaluate themselves.

Grade inflation particularly hurts those who Davis called the "exceptional students."

"The exceptional students and the above average students are lumped together in the same category and I think it hurts the exceptional students because an A means less for them," he said.

The big problem, Wixom said, is that the truly energetic and scholarly students need to be rewarded and grade inflation doesn't allow that.

A student doing average work

shouldn't get an above average reward, he said.

Wixom said he has resolved to give average students C grades.

Harvard hasn't decided yet what to do with the grade inflation problem.

"Some of those possibilities have involved changing the grading system completely to one which has fewer categories," Wolcowitz said.

Another solution they're looking at is to look at Canadian university transcripts — they don't just show grades, but the number of students in the course and the average grade given in the class.

# Student observers help teachers improve instruction techniques

By EMILY SELDEN  
Universe Staff Writer

Students expect to be graded by teachers, but through the Classroom Observer Program, students provide feedback on how faculty members teach.

BYU's Faculty Center provides the program for all faculty members at request.

When a student observes a teacher, a faculty member begins thinking about their teaching skills, said Lynn Sorenson-Pierce, faculty development specialist at the center.

"A better classroom experience is created for the student," she said.

Neil Whitaker, a sophomore from South Jordan majoring in computer science works as a student observer.

"If they can improve their style in any way, the students will find learning more inviting and easier," he said.

The observers provide teachers with a recording of the classroom activities for the day, notes taken during the class, and opinions on what might work better for the instructor.

Sorenson-Pierce said those who use the program for the first time usually request a student provide a written

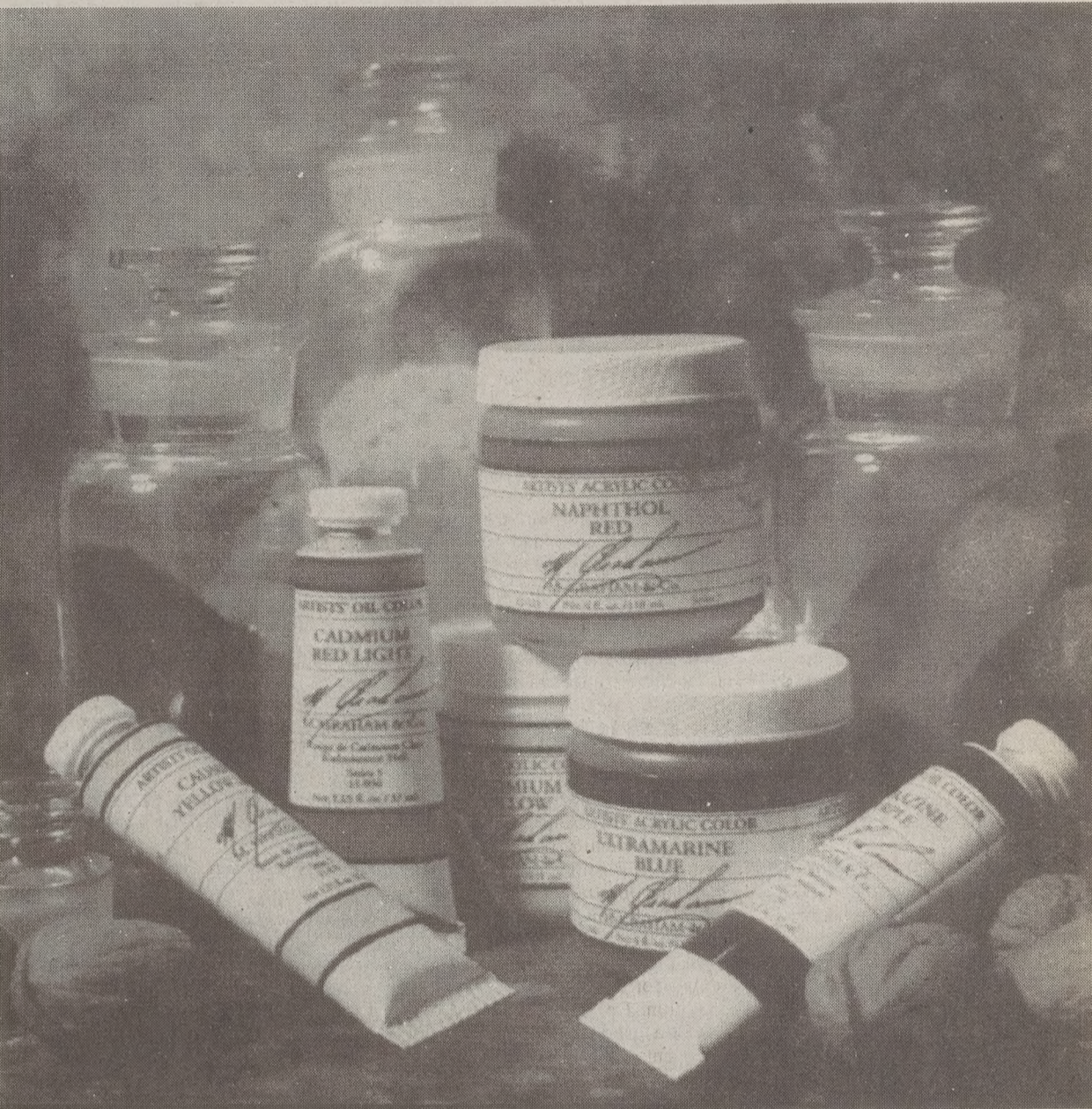
record of the classroom activities or film the class for the teacher.

"In general, the first step is acting as a mirror for the instructor," she said.

She said that a mutual friendship between faculty member and student usually develops and the student is asked to return. If this relationship develops, the instructor often asks the student for feedback.

Often people ask why the program uses students to evaluate teachers, Sorenson-Pierce said.

"Who better than students know what it's like to be a student and be in the classroom?" she said.



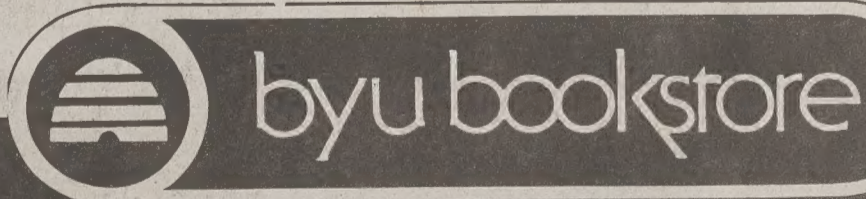
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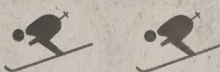
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# Curve grading system earns low, high marks

By HEATHER MCDONALD  
Universe Staff Writer

The curve. That grading system that usually guarantees that at least some students will walk out of the class with an A. Yet student and faculty sentiments on the curve are not at all unanimous. Many disagree as to whether the curve helps or hurts students. Some students say they benefit from curve grading system, others say the pressure detracts from a focus on education. Some faculty members say they avoid a curve, while others prefer using it over the percentage system. A curve is able to account for differences in testing styles and is more fair, but even that must be modified according to the makeup of the class, Jones said. Student "makeup" is a key factor motivating Alvin Price, professor in the Family Science Department, to create an alternate form of percentage grading, he said. Price said that at a university which does not have an average sample of intelligence, there will never be a "normal" curve. "A curve only works when working with a heterogeneous population," Price said. Kristine Hansen of the English Department does not use a grading curve in her classroom.

"I like to teach so that all students have the opportunity to master the material," she said. Some students say the curve, which implies grade "quotas," is unjust and jeopardizes scholarship recipients. Dana Pitts, a sophomore from Provo majoring in home economics education, said BYU students deserve a solid goal to work toward. "Grading on a strict percentage is a stable goal, while a curve is poor motivation," Pitts said. Other students say that a curve is for the benefit of the student and is the most fair. Eric McGregor, a sophomore from San Marino, Calif. majoring in biology, said that each class is so different, that basing a grade on a class average keeps it fair. Faculty members Frank W. Fox of the History Department and Earl M. Woolley, chairman of the Chemistry Department, are among those who grade on a curve, or a modification of it. "Straight percentages are a treacherous way of thinking for professors — it's possible the exam may be a terrible one," Fox said. As grading philosophies differ as much as the fields and positions within the university, the issue remains subjective. "However, if injustice is necessary, it should be made in the students' favor," Fox said.

# Employers consider grades when hiring college grads

By KRISTINA LOWE  
Universe Staff Writer

College grades are important in screening job applicants and determining workers' salaries, employers and career placement workers say. "It's very rare to have someone get a job without looking at grades," said Wayne Hansen, managing director of BYU's Placement and Employment Services. Some employers believe grades are important. Others believe grades are only somewhat important. Bob Ghoslin, supervisor of special programs for Job Service, said some employers don't place as much emphasis on grades. "If you've made it through college it shows you have stick-to-it-ness," he said. Ghoslin said research has shown no correlation between grades and success in the work place. Whether or not employers look at grades varies according to job type. In business and management jobs most companies screen grades first. "If applicants meet minimal grade requirements then they look at other things," said Lucille Bullock, recruiting coordinator for Career Services for the Marriott School of Management. Grades are also a factor in determining salary, Bullock said. "Top companies that pay top salaries are looking for people in the top 10 percent of their classes," she said. "None of our companies requests anything below 30 percent." Work experience is also a factor in determining salary, but the impor-

tance of work experiences varies with each job, he said. "In some areas, like communications, experience is more vital than in other areas like nursing and engineering where they get a lot of experience in the classroom," Hansen said. Although grades are not always examined closely, they can tell a lot about a candidate. "Lots of times, employers look at grades in terms of patterns. Did they do better in their major? Did their grades improve as they went along?" Hansen said.

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# Teachers make mistakes; grading errors often corrected after reports are issued

By CHERYL LOTT  
Universe Staff Writer

Mistakes happen. Even when a BYU student thinks an A in a class is a sure thing, the final grade sometimes doesn't match the effort put into a class. Teachers sometimes overlook a test score or extra credit points. Or the mistake can be simply recording the right grade for the wrong student. Regardless of the reason, sometimes the grade listed on a student's report card is not the grade the student earned. Brad Matthews, a junior from Bountiful majoring in zoology, premedical emphasis, received a C in a New Testament class when he should have gotten an A. His professor had forgotten to record a test score, Matthews said. "I had to go in and show him the test, he then signed the grade change form," Matthews said. "I took the form to the records department in the ASB wherein the grade was promptly and most graciously changed." He contacted the instructor, filled out some forms, the instructor sent them in and the grade was changed a few days later. The Records Office doesn't keep track of how many

grades are changed every semester, said Wayne Childs, associate university registrar. The procedure is routine; when the forms come in, they are recorded and discarded, he said. "It's an excellent system because anyone can make a mistake — even a professor," said Eric Simonsen, a senior from Austin, Texas. Simonsen received a C plus in a communications class in Winter 1992. "It was the second time I had taken the class," Simonsen said. "I needed a B minus." The instructor had forgotten to record Simonsen's extra credit points. Simonsen contacted the professor over the summer, but was told to wait until fall to change the grade. The change was easier to do in person, Simonsen said. The only time grade changes are made is if a faculty member makes a mistake when recording the grade, Childs said. The grade change form must include the instructor's reason for making the change. However, if the student has done work after the semester is over, the grade will not be changed because the grade-changing process is designed to correct only when an instructor has made an error in calculation, Childs said.

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# Unearned B a mystery to student

By CHERYL LOTT  
Universe Staff Writer

Two days after my last fall semester, I received horrible news. My academic advisor informed me that I was registered for an English class I never attended. I had apparently registered for the class after schedules were mailed out and forgot to write "Introduction to Language" down. I wasn't terribly surprised. Forgetting something like a three-credit hour class is not out of character for me. I just needed to figure out how to drop it. My roommate told me to call the Registration Office and tell them my plight. When I did, the helpful person I talked to said I needed to petition to drop the class. The next two days were full of run-

ning around trying to get signatures from people who were not in Provo. Finally, I completed the necessary paperwork, and now all I had to do was wait for the Exception to University Policy Committee to approve or (gulp) deny my petition. Meanwhile ... grades had come out. I wasn't calling for my grades until after intro to language was dropped from my schedule. I didn't want to know what my GPA would be with an E figured in. Somehow my roommates talked me in to calling while the class was still on my schedule. When I did, I got the surprise of my life. For some reason, I got a B in the class. I don't know how, but I did. I now faced an ethical dilemma; I could keep my mouth shut and take the B, or I could do the right thing

and drop the credit I hadn't earned. My quandary only lasted for a few minutes. I knew what I had to do. Obviously, I dropped the class. (If I hadn't dropped, I would not print it in the paper.) I still wonder how I got such a good grade considering I never even attended the class once. My roommates and I theorized that the professor either didn't give anything lower than a B to anyone, or he got mixed-up and gave my E to someone who really earned a B. We assume the latter happened. Somewhere on campus, a poor lost soul is wondering why he or she flunked English 223. Now he or she knows the truth. To whomever you are, I am terribly sorry I got your grade. But thanks for giving me an interesting story.

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**COMPOSER OF ETRUSCAN MUSIC:** Lloyd Miller is shown wearing an Etruscan toga and playing a lyre. Miller's research of ancient music led to his newest compact disc, "Etruscan Impressions," recorded for BYU's Museum of Art and its Etruscan exhibit.

## Composer creates music representing Etruscans

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If it were possible, the director of BYU's Museum of Art would pluck several singers and dancers from the colorfully painted mural that decorates the museum's current exhibit. Think of the merriment they could offer," says James A. Mason. "This would be an enchanting way to make a world-class exhibit from the Etruscan Museums really come alive." Instead the MOA is doing the next best thing. Museum volunteers — the modern-day counterparts of the artists who lived in Central Italy 2,500 years ago — frequently greet museum guests and dance to rhythms inspired by the ancient culture.

In addition, the museum released a new compact disc last week called "Etruscan Impressions. The music, composed by Lloyd Miller, of Salt Lake City, and produced and edited by BYU music professor Harrison Powley, provides background music for The Etruscans: Legacy of a Lost Civilization.

The 45-minutes of original music are available at the museum bookstore and Etruscan bazaar. While definitely influenced by knowledge of Etruscan musical traditions, the CD is intended to reflect atmosphere more than authenticity.

As Miller admits, "We really do not know precisely what Etruscan music was like because examples do not exist. Yet I have studied ancient and modern music for several decades and combined theories from literary and archaeological sources."

Powley, MOA Curator of Musical

Instruments, said Greek and Roman musical texts contain scattered references to distinctive Etruscan musical customs. "From this evidence," he says, "we can conclude that the dominant musical conventions of antiquity were present in Etruscan music."

"We also looked at possible cross influences because Etruscans were travelers, and their artifacts show they were inspired by other cultures."

"One theory is that they came from Asia Minor. The Greeks had ties to the same region. There might be an affinity to Greek systems of music. As part of his research, Lloyd listened to the existing fragments of ancient Greek music and put together his own impressions," Powley said.

As he wrote the music, Miller said he pictured the life of a wealthy Etruscan merchant. He travels to major ports and meets several cultures, which are reflected in the music.

"If we picture the instruments and listen to today's derivatives that still exist in Mediterranean folk culture, we can hypothesize possible Etruscan musical sounds," Powley said.

"We laud the efforts of Lloyd and Tom (Harrison Powley)," Mason said, who also served as the project's executive producer.

"The music adds another dimension to our display of a culture that dominated the Italian peninsula for 500 years and, in many ways were the true builders of Rome," he said.

The Etruscan exhibit is open Mondays through Saturdays through April 30. Call 378-ARTS for information about exhibit hours and rates.

## African vocal group returns to perform in SLC

By BETHANY HANKS  
Universe Lifestyle Writer

A South African vocal group Ladysmith Black Mambazo, known for the unique sound they contributed to Paul Simon's Grammy album "Graceland," performs 8 p.m. Tuesday at Kingsbury Hall in Salt Lake City.

The stirring spiritual and cultural music of this award-winning, ten-voice group captured Utah audiences in 1988 and 1991.

After receiving a standing ovation at their 1988 performance in Salt Lake City, the group concluded their concert by singing the South African national anthem and prayer, "God Bless South Africa," Deseret News said.

Deseret News said, "The [1991] performance was stirring, inspiring, funny and at times surprisingly mesmerizing...It is a gospel choir that dances in perfect sync and performs amazingly gymnastic stunts...[it is] a successful comedy act in a different language...The thrill of seeing

Ladysmith in concert is participating in its power over the crowd."

The vocal group starred in the Broadway play "The Song of Jacob Zulu," which received six Tony awards and the Drama Desk Award for Best Original Score. In addition to recording with Stevie Wonder, and appearing on the "Sesame Street"

25th anniversary special, they performed with Paul Simon before sell-out crowds at the Paramount Theatre in New York, Bruce Granath of the Space Agency said.

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# ABC to host 'American Music Awards'

VICTORIA PATTERSON  
Lifestyle Editor

The Shrine Auditorium in Los Angeles is housing the 21st annual "American Music Awards" on Feb. 7, airing live on ABC.

Reba McEntire, Meat Loaf and Will Smith will be the three hosts for the three-hour event.

Whitney Houston, Gin Blossoms and Snoop Doggy Dogg are among the several entertainers who will perform during the show.

Several musicians, including Bobby Brown and Celine Dion, will present each of the 25 awards to be handed out, which are kept confidential until the envelopes are torn open, according to a press release from The Shefrin Company. The six categories for each award includes: Pop/Rock, Soul/Rhythm & Blues, Heavy Metal/Hard Rock, Rap/Hip Hop, Adult Contemporary and Country.

Aerosmith, Pearl Jam and U2 make up the nominees for favorite band

under the Pop/Rock category, while Arrested Development, En Vogue and SWV are in competition for favorite group under the Soul/Rhythm & Blues category.

Favorite Pop/Rock male artist nominees are Michael Jackson, Eric Clapton, Rod Stewart and Michael Bolton. The female nominees include Janet Jackson, Whitney Houston, Mariah Carey and Gloria Estefan.

UB40's "Can't Help Falling In Love" is up for favorite Pop/Rock single as well as "Whoop! (There It Is)" by Tag Team and Whitney's Houston's "I Will Always Love You."

Nominees for favorite new artist under the Heavy Metal/Hard Rock category are Blind Melon, Smashing Pumpkins and Stone Temple Pilots.

Also presented during the telecast will be special salutes to The Beatles, Diana Ross and Frank Sinatra. Whitney Houston will receive the Award of Merit and Rod Stewart will be presented with the International Artist Award.



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**RELATED NOMINEES:** Michael Jackson gives his sister Janet a hug at the 1993 Grammy Awards in Los Angeles. Janet and Michael are each nominated for favorite artist at this year's "American Music Awards," airing live Feb. 7 from Los Angeles on ABC.

## Abravanel Hall celebrates Martha Graham's birth

By TIFFANY CRAMER ELIASON  
Universe Lifestyle Writer

The Martha Graham Dance Company will perform at the Abravanel Hall in Salt Lake City as part of its international tour celebrating the 100th anniversary of the birth of its founder, Martha Graham.

The Company's one-night-only performance on Tuesday, will include four ballet and modern dance pieces choreographed by Graham.

According to a Utah Symphony press release, "Appalachian Spring" is a ballet which will be performed in full. It is the celebration of springtime by early pioneers in the Appalachian wilderness. The music for this ballet was written by Aaron Copland for Graham.

"Steps in the Street," a modern dance piece, portrays with rebellious movements the world of the unwanted. It conveys devastation, homelessness and exile.

The third piece, "Deep Song," was written during the Spanish Civil War to represent the anguish of the tortured human mind and body.

The last ballet Graham completed before her death in 1991 at the age of 96, was "Maple Leaf Rag." This dance, with costumes by Calvin

Klein, will be the last performance of the evening. It was one of Graham's favorites.

Graham formed her dance company in the early 1920s. Since then the company has performed in such noted places as the Metropolitan Opera House, the Paris Opera House, Covent Garden and the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts.



MARTHA GRAHAM

Among other numerous awards, Graham was the first recipient of the National Medal of Arts, bestowed upon her by President Ronald Reagan.

The Company tours almost every year, but is now specifically on tour to celebrate the 100th anniversary of Martha Graham's birth, said Jeff Paris, Utah Symphony director of marketing and public relations.

Eleven dancers from the company will perform on this tour, Paris said.

The performance begins at 8 p.m. in the Abravanel Hall, home of the Utah Symphony. Tickets range in price from \$11 to \$23, and student tickets are available for \$5. Tickets may be purchased at the Symphony Box Office or any Smith Tix outlets. For more information call 533-NOTE.

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# Dallas bounces bumbling Buffalo Bills

## Bills lose fourth Super Bowl; Lett finally gets his redemption

Associated Press

ATLANTA — The Dallas Cowboys have staked their claim as the team of the '90s. The Buffalo Bills grabbed a loser's label that could last longer than that.

The Cowboys and the Bills both made Super Bowl history Sunday, thanks to two unlikely stars, James Washington and a redeemed Leon Lett.

Washington, a backup safety, had a hand in 17 of Dallas' points as they beat the Bills 30-13 and won their second straight NFL title and sent Buffalo to a record fourth straight Super Bowl defeat. No franchise in the history of American team sports has lost a championship game four straight times.

"You have demonstrated you're the team of the '90s," NFL commissioner Paul Tagliabue said as he presented the Vince Lombardi trophy to coach Jimmy Johnson and owner Jerry Jones of the Cowboys.

But defensive end Charles Haley, who played for San Francisco's "team of the '80s," was more hesitant to make the claim.

"It's too early," he said. "Let's see what we do next year."

Emmitt Smith, who suprisingly was named the game's MVP over Washington, ran for 132 yards and two touchdowns as Dallas became the 10th straight NFC team to win the league's title game by outscoring the Bills 24-0 in the second half after trailing 13-6 at halftime.

But it was Washington who turned the game around as the Cowboys became just the fifth team to win in consecutive years and tied San Francisco and Pittsburgh with four Super Bowl victories.

Washington returned a fumble 46 yards for a touchdown, intercepted a pass in the fourth quarter that led to another score, and forced a first-half fumble that led to a field goal. Both fumbles were by Buffalo's star running back, Thurman Thomas, whose frustration seemed to symbolize the entire team's.

"We've tried to get playmakers at every position," Johnson said. "We've got them at backups. We want to get the players that will do the things they must do to win the game."

Lett, who has had to endure two notorious gaffes, made the play that turned the game, stripping Thomas of the ball on the third play of the second-half with Buffalo holding a 13-6 lead.

"We made some mistakes, in the first half, we made some mistakes in the second half. They made more," Johnson said.

"Then once we got some points we began coming off the ball strong. When you put our big bodies on our



DUAL-MVP:Emitt Smith, shown here gaining yards two weekends ago against San Francisco, played a game good enough to send him to Disneyland, as he won the game's MVP honors. Smith, who was also named the NFL's regular season MVP, rushed for 132 yards and two touchdowns.

offensive line on the other guys, Emmitt's going to move the ball."

Washington, whose interception led to Dallas' first touchdown in last year's 52-17 rout of Buffalo, picked it up and rambed in for the touchdown that tied the game, changed the momentum forever and guaranteed Buffalo its place in NFL history.

Smith and the Dallas defense then took over.

Smith rushed for 61 of his yards on the next drive, scoring from 15 yards out to give Dallas a 20-13 lead. Lett, Haley, Jim Jeffcoat and Darren Woodson, meanwhile, all made big defensive plays to shut down a Buffalo offense that had rung up 216 yards in the first half.

It was not a great day for Troy Aikman, last year's MVP.

The Dallas quarterback was 19 of 27 for 207 yards, but couldn't get the ball in the end zone in the first half, when Buffalo's Jim Kelly was moving the ball up and down the field with ease, passing for 176 yards before intermission. But Kelly finished with just 260 yards on 31 of 50 passing.

Smith, the league's MVP in the regular season, added the Super Bowl

MVP award to his collection.

After being held to 41 yards on 10 carries in the first half, he took over after Lett and Washington had combined to tie it and Jeffcoat and Haley had combined on a 13-yard sack of Kelly on Buffalo's next series.

Dallas then got the ball on its own 36 and Smith carried for 9 yards, then ran for 3 yards, then 9, 7, 14 and 4. After Aikman hit Daryl Johnston for 3 yards, Johnston dashed 15 yards up the middle on third and three for the score that gave Dallas the lead for good.

Smith scored again from a yard out 5:10 into the fourth quarter after Washington had returned an interception 12 yards to the 34.

Eddie Murray, who had field goals of 41 and 34 yards in the first half, added a 20-yarder with 2:50 left.

The Buffalo offense controlled the first half, piling up 216 yards.

**"We made some mistakes in the first half, we made some mistakes in the second half. They made more. When you put our big bodies on our offensive line on the other guys, Emmitt's going to move the ball."**

—Dallas Coach Jimmy Johnson

## Protesters make their feelings known

Associated Press

ATLANTA — About 100 marchers demonstrated outside the Georgia Dome Sunday to protest the display of the Georgia state flag at the Super Bowl between the Buffalo Bills and Dallas Cowboys.

Just before the game began, a group of reporters briefly left the press box during the national anthem to protest the state flag, which includes the Confederate battle emblem.

"A lot of us felt we just couldn't come down here and be silent," said Tom Foster, a columnist for The Detroit News. "Every time we see the state flag it hurts us."



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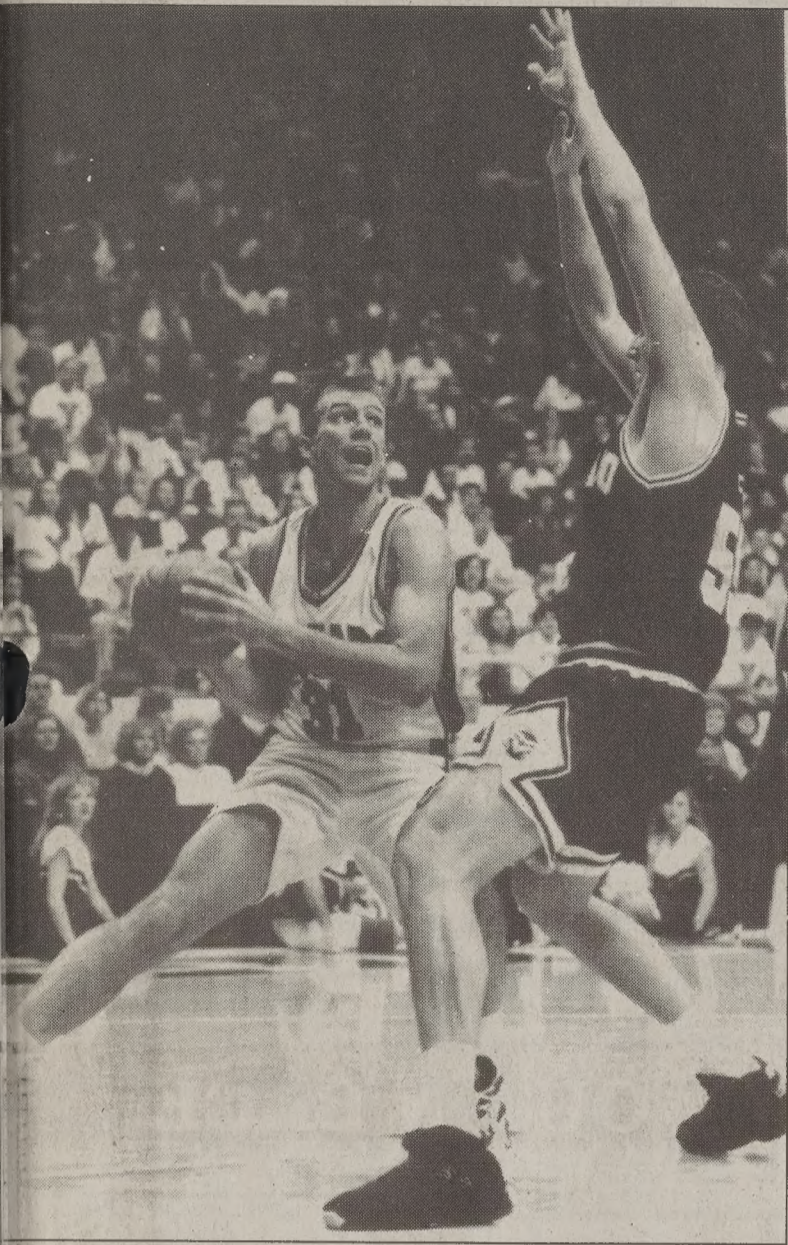
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# Sports



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**MAN OF STEEL:** Ken Roberts looks for a shot Saturday night at the Marriott Center. Roberts was named Steelman of the game in BYU's victory over Colorado State.

## BYU trounces Colorado State, closes in on first-place Hawaii

By JOSH LUKE  
Assistant Sports Editor

Mark Durrant came off the bench to work down ten rebounds and score 12 points in leading BYU to a 79-66 victory at the Marriott Center Saturday night. Ken Roberts added 19 points and eight rebounds and Russell Larson scored 16 points and pulled down 11 rebounds in the Pinegar triumph. BYU jumped out to an early lead and led by 15 at half. Colorado State struggled in the first half, shooting only 28 percent from the field. The Rams only shot 31.8 percent from the field for the entire game. Norman Crawford led the Rams in scoring with 21 points, shooting 3 of 11 from the three-point line. Point guard Ryan Yoder struggled, shooting one and one for six from the field, and was fouled on both of his three-point attempts. "I would say this is our best game of the year," said BYU coach Roger Pines. "We came out and established ourselves from the start on defense." Pines said that he preferred the type of game they played Saturday against Colorado State in which the scoring was balanced rather than a game like

the victory over Wyoming on Thursday in which Russell Larson scored 35 points.

"When everybody gets to touch the ball and gets involved in the scoring we seem to play better, but when somebody gets hot like Russell did against Wyoming, the guys will keep looking for him," he said. Shane Knight let everyone know that his shooting slump is definitely over by shooting two for three from three point range and scoring 12 points in the game.

Although the final margin of victory was only 13 points, BYU dominated the game from start to finish and the game was not as close as the score might reflect.

The crowd came to life late in the game when a group of students in the upper section started chanting for Shawn Lindquist to be put into the game. Within seconds the entire student section was chanting for the senior to be put into the game.

Although the chant started with over two minutes to play, coach Reid called a time out with a minute and a half left to insert him into the game. The student section went crazy cheering for him when he went in, only to see him miss three straight free-throws.

## Russell makes All-Rookie game

By JOSH LUKE  
Assistant Sports Editor

Although Luther Wright was the top selection by the NBA in last year's NBA draft, second-round selection Bryon Russell is the rookie who is stealing the show and winning the hearts of Jazz fans around the state. Russell has been selected to play in the first Rookie All-Star game to be played in Minneapolis on All-Star weekend.

Russell, who attended Long Beach State, was the 45th overall selection in the 1993 draft. The rookie has played in all 42 games, including 38 as a starter and is averaging 5.7 point per game. Because of the spelling of his name, the Utah Jazz media guide lists him as "Bryon (Don't call me Byron) Russell."

Russell, who is rarely seen without his ear-to-ear smile, said that Karl Malone took him under his wing from the start and has worked with him and motivated him all year.

"I am one of those guys that nobody expects to do well because he was drafted in the second round," he said. "I am very proud of him, I think it is great that he is doing so well."

Russell says he admires Malone as a player and a person and is thankful for his help. "I could use the knowledge of a player who has been in the league for nine years, and been as successful as Karl," Russell said.

Russell does not score a lot, but is considered a defensive player. He has quick hands and is third on the team in steals, averaging 1.26 per game.

"I really think he can stop any guy he is guarding, it is a challenge to him," said Jazz forward David Benoit. "It is tough because he does not score that much, but he has his head up and thinks he can score more." Russell says that the thing he is working on the most is his jump shot and free throws.

## Women's basketball team squeaks by Miners

By AMEE WALKER  
Universe Sports Writer

The BYU women's basketball team evened up its conference record with a 64-62 victory over UTEP in an intense matchup Saturday.

The Cougars held on for the win despite a low shooting percentage and foul trouble late in the game. BYU's 32 percent shooting from behind the three-point line was almost as good as their 36 percent shooting from the field. The Cougars also had three players foul out.

Sophomore forward Behka Stafford led the team with 26 points, nine rebounds and five steals.

"That was one of the funnest games we've played in all year," Stafford said. "It was a huge challenge with all of that adversity."

When three BYU players fouled out late in the game, the Cougars looked for critical help from the bench. Freshman forward Elisabeth Pinegar entered the game at this crucial point and ended up as the team's second-leading scorer.

Pinegar contributed nine points and six rebounds in only nine minutes of

play. "Nobody gave up," said Coach Jeanie Wilson in an after-game interview.

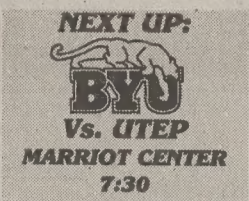
UTEP shot only 33 percent from the field, 30 percent from three-point range. Kiana Taylor led the Miners with 18 points and 10 rebounds.

Saturday night's win was the second

road victory of the week for BYU. The Cougars beat New Mexico Thursday night.

"It felt good to come off the road and win both games," Stafford said. "It was a huge confidence builder."

Saturday's win improved the Cougars to 3-3 in conference play and 8-10 overall.



### Swimmers, divers perform well at invitational

By ALLEN BRIGHTON  
Universe Sports Writer

BYU's men and women divers placed first in each event with several record breaking performances at the BYU Diving Invitational this weekend.

Senior Vanessa Thelin displayed her All-American form by setting new BYU records in the one-meter and three-meter boards.

Thelin led the women with a first-place score of 503.80 on the one-meter board to become the first Cougar woman to score over 500 in that event.

"Vanessa put on another All-American performance," said diving coach Keith Russell.

Freshman Julie Pothier finished second (453.40), Utah's Julie Crus was third (437.90), and Hawaii's Michelle Carter fourth (431.75).

"Julie dived like a pro with a very consistent performance," said Russell.

For the men, Mike Moak set a school record with a final score of 612.60 on the three-meter board.

"To score over 600 is amazing," said Russell. "I think having Scott pushing him helped him to perform so well."

Finishing second in the three-meter was teammate Scott Turher with a score of 566.00.

On Friday night Vanessa Thelin broke a nine-year BYU record on the three-meter board with a score of 593.55.

The strength of the women's team showed as BYU swept the top four places in the three-meter.

Finishing second was Christina Conn with a score of 491.30, third place went to Julie Pothier (483.30), and in fourth was Emi Watabe (395.05).

In the men's one-meter Mike Moak placed first with a strong performance (550.30). In second was Hawaii's Ryan McGrath (522.80), and finishing third for BYU was Scott Turner (520.95).

"We had some great divers here and this is one of the best finals I've seen," said Russell. "It is so exciting to see this kind of performance from everyone."

## Bo signs on with Angels

Associated Press

ANAHEIM, Calif. — Free agent Bo Jackson has tentatively agreed to contract terms with the California Angels, according to a published report Sunday.

Jackson, who played with an artificial hip in 85 games last season for the Chicago White Sox, will be guaranteed less than \$500,000 but can earn more than \$1 million with bonuses in the one-year deal, the Los Angeles Times said.

The former football player became a free agent three weeks ago when he rejected Chicago's arbitration offer.

He will try out for the starting left field job.

"He's a guy we think can help us," Angels general manager Bill Bavasi said. "I think we have a nice club on the field, but we're not in position to absorb injuries."

The team is planning to schedule a news conference this week, the Times said.

Injured while playing football for the Los Angeles Raiders in 1991, the 31-year-old Jackson missed the entire 1992 season after undergoing reconstructive hip surgery. In 1993, he was named comeback player of the year after hitting .232 with 16 homers and 45 RBIs.

The Angels already have a designated hitter in Chili Davis and were planning to start Eduardo Perez in left. The Angels are worried, however, that Perez's right elbow is suspect.

Jackson was originally selected by the Angels in the 20th round of the 1985 draft. He was drafted again by the Kansas City Royals, and in 1987 started a two-sport career with the Royals and Raiders.

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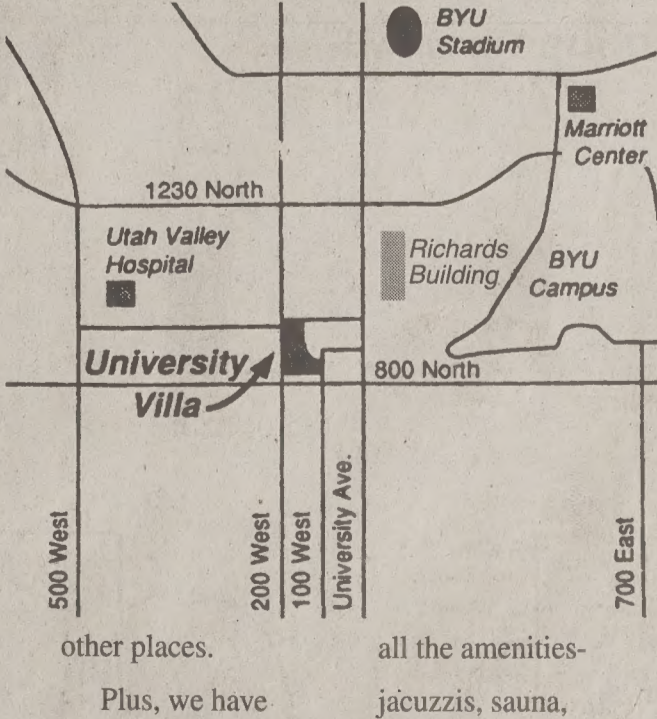
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Universe Staff Writer

A circular opening of approximately four feet marks the entrance where cave-goers must crawl through on their stomachs to reach the heart of the Nutty Putty Caves.

The caves are located on the west side of Utah and offer adventurists the chance to crawl and slide through narrow holes and tunnels, exploring different pathways that go deep into the ground.

The caves have offered hours of entertainment for different students.

The Nutty Putty caves are great for spelunking, said Ginger Showalter, a junior majoring in geology. "There are a lot of different cave passages inside. There are a couple of difficult main routes you can take so there is a lot of variety."

Although it was cool how it just kept going up and down; I wondered if I would ever get out of there," said Glenn Hammond, a sophomore majoring in civil engineering.

It was not all pleasant though, Hammond said. After a while I started feeling really musty there was a humid smell. It was also a little bit of some places because it had just rained. My group got out of the caves there was mud all over our bodies."

It was a great place to vegetate and have fun. I'll just sat around in there and talked," said Christensen, a sophomore majoring in engineering. "It was good, clean, cheap, exhilarating nature — just the right amount of excitement."

The caves can be used year round because the temperature inside remains the same.

"The first time I went was in the wintertime," said Kristen Goates, a senior majoring in advertising. "We could see the entrance because of the steam rising from the ground which had melted all the snow around it."

Inside the cave was perfectly warm, probably about 30 degrees warmer than outside, Goates said.

"When we all got inside, our group separated and went different ways," she said. "We could yell back and forth through the rocks. There was a big drop that really startled me and there are spots that you never think you'll fit through, but you do."

"Once you get down there, you get so dirty you just don't care anymore, and it's a lot of fun."

Burton Olsen, a faculty member in the Recreation Management and Youth Leadership Department, said he regularly takes different groups of students into the Nutty Putty caves.

"It's fun, it's not dangerous and there is a variety of different areas for people to explore without difficulty," Olsen said.

"You don't have to worry about vandalism because there is not a lot to vandalize," Olsen said. "It's a fun experience. Everyone ought to have the opportunity to participate in a caving experience. The Nutty Putty is one that is close by."

**"We're constantly looking for new caves. If anyone sees a hole in the ground, we're crazy enough to go to the bottom."**

—Jim Keller,  
Grotto Club member

Those who visit the caves in the winter will need a four-wheel-drive vehicle. It is also very important to bring a flashlight and a rope.

The cave is located on private property and the landowner has asked that directions not be given out. Burton said the owner allows students to use the caves as long as they take care of the property.

Olsen suggests that those who have never been to the caves go with someone who has been before, or get very detailed directions, because the caves are very difficult to find.

The Spanish Moths and Red Baron are also caves that are close by. Though few people know about them, they are located in Rock Canyon behind the Provo Temple. Both caves have gates on them.

"They are dangerous caves," said Jim Keller, the key keeper for the two caves. "Those who

go in need ropes, rappelling equipment, ascending gear and they must have the ability to do some climbing."

Keller said that if someone wants to go in they need to contact him, and if they are qualified, they can use the caves.

"We don't give out directions, though. If they don't know the location, they would have to find someone who has been there before," Keller said.

Keller said one way of finding people who regularly use the caves is by joining one of the three Grotto clubs located in Utah.

Keller is a member of the Grotto Club. The club holds meetings every month to discuss past and future cave-exploring trips.

"We have recreational trips as well as surveying and map trips to various caves in the area. We take care of the caves. We clean them up as well as try to conserve and restore them."

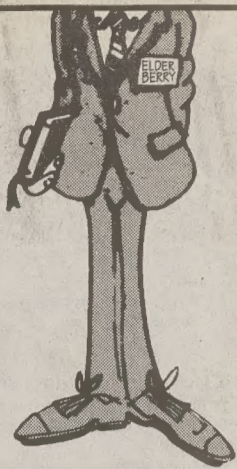
There is usually about one caving activity a week, Keller said.

"We're constantly looking for new caves. If anyone sees a hole in the ground, we're crazy enough to go to the bottom," he said.

"There is a cave in Vernal we've been going to this winter. It's probably five miles long. We're currently mapping it out and surveying it."

Keller has been a member of the club for about three years and said he loves it.

"It's kind of a crazy hobby but it's really fun if you like little, damp holes in the ground. They say a caver has to have mud in his blood," Keller said.



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## Women over 20 should examine breasts for cancer

By HEATHER MCDONALD  
Universe Staff Writer

Thousands of women suffer breast cancer every year, and the University of Utah Provo community is increasing awareness.

In nine women develop breast cancer, experts say. Cancer screening tests are provided, in part, by the Utah State Department of Health, said Dr. McGuire, director of cancer screening programs.

Early detection is the key to survival," McGuire said.

McDonald Health Center physician encourages students and university personnel to learn and practice techniques that enable early detection. Although the cancer is rather common in the university population, every person needs to develop techniques of self-examination," Dr. Gus Hoffman at the center.

American Cancer Society recommends all women over the age of 20 examine their breasts once a

month so that early symptoms of cancer may be noticed between clinical examinations.

If a lump is found it needs to be examined by a qualified physician, Hoffman said. He stresses this advice because it is a cancer that is curable, but only if the cancer is detected early enough.

"Most lumps are benign — it doesn't mean you have cancer," Hoffman said. "Self-examination just needs to be a habit that women do automatically."

The risk of breast cancer increases as women grow older, according to the American Cancer Society. A history of breast cancer in close family relatives, the onset of menstruation before age 12, the birth of a first child when 30 years or over, never giving birth, and obesity are among other factors that increase risk.

Currently, no one knows what causes breast cancer, said John Ward, associate professor of medicine at the University of Utah school of medi-

cine.

Approximately 75 women in Utah are involved in two different studies, one federal and another state-wide, examining the effects of tamoxifen, an anti-estrogen.

"The goal is to find a way to aid women of high-risk in reducing that risk," Ward said.

"No one knows if we can prevent it," Hoffman said. "We don't even know what causes it."

The Utah State Department of Health works with the American Cancer Society and the Utah County Health Center. They provide clinics that include a Pap test, pelvic and breast examination, blood pressure check and hemocult kits to test for cancer.

Health education information on risk factors, signs and symptoms of cancer, and referral for appropriate medical follow-up are also made available.

All women 18 and older or who are sexually active who have not had a

Pap test during the past year are encouraged to attend.

The clinic consists of a team serving the entire state on an ongoing basis. Local sessions are scheduled in Payson Tuesday, Lehi Feb. 9 and Provo Feb. 15.

The Provo clinic is particularly arranged, with bilingual assistance, for Hispanic women.

A sliding fee, based on annual family income and family size will be charged.

The ACS recommends women younger than 40 years have a breast exam by a physician at least every three years and those over 40 have yearly examinations. A baseline mammogram is advised between the ages of 35 to 39, and more frequently as one gets older.

Techniques for self-examination may be taught by a nurse during a routine physical.

Specific information regarding these recommendations may be obtained from local health clinics.

## College doesn't guarantee good job, entrepreneur says

By TIFFANY ZWEIFEL  
Universe Staff Writer

After struggling through college to earn a degree, students may discover they're better off starting their own business, said Richard L. Dale, author of the new book "The CommonSense MBA."

Dale wrote the book, which was released in the BYU Bookstore last week, to encourage entrepreneurship and explain that it's not as difficult as people think, he said.

"It's a better way of life," he said. Dale spent two years writing the book, but at least 15 years thinking about it, working in the business world and teaching others, he said.

Dale, with the help of his wife, started a part-time business in their home doing legal investigation and photocopy services for attorneys and insurance companies. The first

month they made \$53. The second month they made \$73. The company ended up bringing in about a million dollars a year, he said.

A few years ago, he retired and left California. He started writing his book to help and encourage others, while also working for a non-profit organization that counsels entrepreneurs and business owners on how to start or improve their businesses.

He points out common fallacies students have. Many think a college degree will ensure a good job, that too much competition will prevent a business from succeeding, and that a lot of money is needed to start a business. These fallacies stop people from achieving the American Dream, he said.

A degree only points to which field someone will enter in, not how much money they will make.

## Gillooly says he thought Harding turned on him first

Associated Press

PORTLAND, Ore. — Tonya Harding's ex-husband decided to divulge the champion skater's role in the attack on Nancy Kerrigan after authorities convinced him Harding had turned on him first, his brother told The Associated Press on Sunday.

Jeff Gillooly was surprised when he found Harding had not stuck with the cover story the two had made up, John Gillooly said.

John Gillooly said his brother's attorney, Ron Hoevet, tried to convince his client Harding had turned on him, but Jeff Gillooly didn't believe it until he read a 46-page deposition the skater had given the FBI.

"Whatever implications were made against him, he has to rebut," John Gillooly said. "If it involves implicating her, that's probably the crux of it."

He said Harding told his brother shortly after she talked to the FBI that she had said nothing to link him to the plot to attack Kerrigan.

Kerrigan was struck with a metal baton above the right knee after a workout Jan. 6 as she prepared for the U.S. Figure Skating Championships in Detroit. Harding went on to win the championship.

Hoevet confirmed John Gillooly's account, telling The Oregonian, "Jeff would have fallen on his sword for Tonya if Tonya had told him the truth. But she didn't." Hoevet did not return telephone calls Sunday from the AP.

As expected, Harding was on the list of 12 athletes submitted by the U.S. Figure Skating Association to the U.S. Olympic Committee Sunday as participants in the Winter Games, which begin Feb. 12 in Lillehammer, Norway.

However, the list was submitted "with the understanding that replacements in the women's competition could be named up to Feb. 21," association spokeswoman Kristin Matta said.

The women's figure skating competition is to begin Feb. 23.

The USFSA also submitted the names of 10 replacement skaters, including 13-year-old Michelle Kwan, who would take the place of Harding if she were dropped from the team.

The USFSA has formed a special committee to decide if there is probable cause to revoke Harding's association membership, a first step in the process that could result in her removal from the Olympic team.

## Crossword

Edited by Will Shortz

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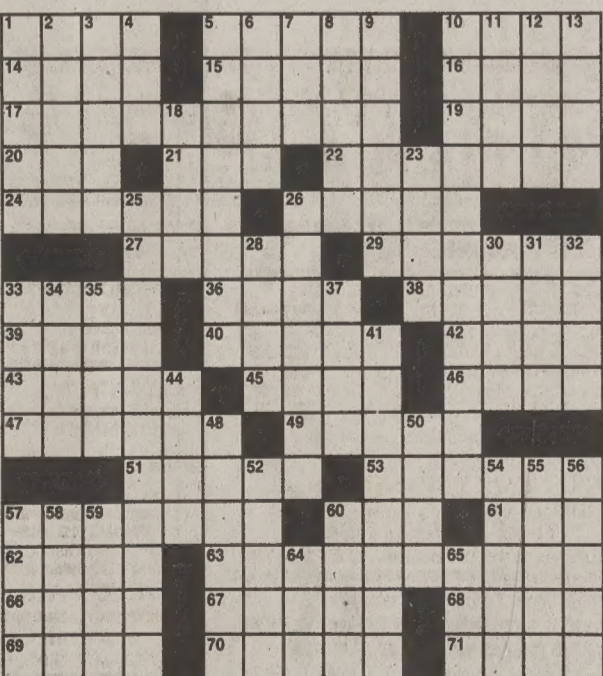
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26 Lumber camp implements

27 Verdi heroine

28 Stumble

29 Makes do, with "out"

30 Float

31 Madame's pronoun

32 Eden resident

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41 Scoundrels

42 Its usefulness goes to waste

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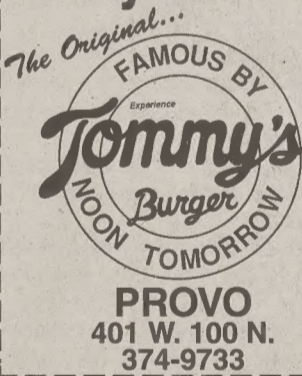
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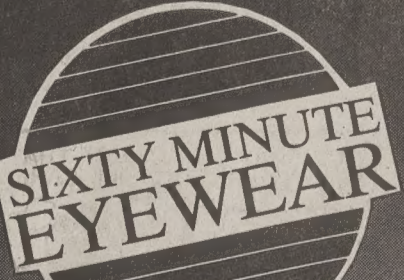
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## Spring fever?

Richard Brown, a graduate student in computer integrated manufacturing, takes advantage of spring-like weather and shows his son, R.T., how to work a remote control car.

# Report cards extinct at Y

By MARNEE MORTENSEN  
Universe Staff Writer

The printed report card may be a thing of the past.

BYU students used to pick up their report cards at the Wilkinson Center. This semester, if students want to know their grades, they call their grades on the touch tone system, wait for ABC reports, or look them up on the AIM machines.

Administrators stopped printing report cards after fall of 1992 when the numbers of students picking up report cards dwindled from 13,000 to less than 3,000 after the implementation of the touch-tone phone system that same fall, Registrar Gene Friday said.

It previously took 16 hours of computer time to run and print students grades, Friday said.

"That's a lot of computer resources to tie up when they're not being used," he said.

Students expressed mixed views concerning the termination of the report card.

"I don't care," said Tim Black, a

senior majoring in Spanish from Mapleton, UT.

"I pretty much know my grades at the end of the semester. If I don't, I just call up on the phones to get my grades or look up ABC reports," he said.

"I felt report cards were necessary in high school because our parents had to see our grades, but they don't have to anymore so a slip of paper isn't necessary."

"It seems to me that anyone who belongs in college is going to find out how the system works and call up and get their grades," said Frank Fox, who

teaches in the History Department. However, he questions the price of the new system.

"It strikes me that some students may be able to get the number to call on someone else's grades," Fox said.

However, Fox said he doesn't think the easily-accessible phone or computer systems will pose a big problem for students.

"It seems to me that students should be able to find out their grades as soon as possible," said Gail Houston, a faculty member.

"In this technological age it seems like it's easier to get that info."



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# Utah hunters meet at Capitol for rally

Associated Press

SALT LAKE CITY — More than 2,700 hunters and anglers gathered at the State Capitol to rally around the cause of Utah wildlife.

Saturday's rally came a day after Gov. Mike Leavitt announced his support for a plan to limit the number of deer hunting permits to 97,000 this year.

The governor also said he was asking the Legislature for \$1.6 million for the Division of Wildlife Resources to offset reduced license sales, and another \$519,000 for the DWR's nongame programs.

Organizer Doug Peay of Sportsmen for Wildlife and Habitat Conservation told the crowd to bend legislators' ears to channel more attention to wildlife issues.

"Call them. Tell them how you feel. Get your friends to call. Let your voice be heard," he said.

Because of severe budget problems caused in part by a \$1.3 million loss of general funds from the Legislature in the past two years, the DWR has had to cut several big game programs and studies. It also eliminated 28 jobs, most from the area of big game management.

Hunters expressed their support for restoring those jobs and programs, and DWR interim director Bob Valentine told them his agency was willing to take action to correct problems.

If the Utah Board of Big Game Control accepts the proposed deer hunt format, a maximum of 97,000 deer hunters would be allowed to hunt this fall on one of the three deer hunts — general rifle, archery and muzzle loader.

This would cut the number of hunters by about 40 percent from last year's figures and about 50 percent from a 1983 high of nearly 200,000.

Last year, under a new choose-your-hunt format, hunting pressure dropped to around 150,000 in the three seasons, with about 110,000 huntings participating in general rifle.

Typically, success runs between 30 and 35 percent. While success figures have not been completed, they are expected to reflect between 15 percent and 20 percent success in some areas.

Legislators are discussing proposed funding for the DWR.

If more cuts are made and the agency does not receive the \$1.6 million to cover losses under the proposed deer hunt, sportsmen could be asked to pay about \$30 for a deer tag this fall.

# Chernobyl damage may have been worse than thought

Associated Press

BOSTON — A 1986 explosion at the Chernobyl nuclear reactor led to a complete core meltdown and far worse contamination than previously reported, says a Massachusetts Institute of Technology researcher who studied the reactor's ruins.

The amount of radioactivity released during the world's worst nuclear disaster was up to four to

five times greater than previously published estimates, Alexander Sich, a nuclear engineer, said in a 500-page doctoral dissertation presented earlier this month.

Soviet authorities claimed the initial explosion at the 1,000-megawatt Chernobyl 4 reactor led only to a partial meltdown. They said helicopters were able to douse the blazing core by smothering it with 5,000 tons of sand, lead, boron and clay.

But Sich, who spent 18 months studying the ruined reactor, said the helicopters completely missed their target, according to the Boston Sunday Globe.

He said the melted core burned through protective layers and into the lowest levels of the plant basement. If it had penetrated the concrete floor, it could have come into contact with groundwater and set off an enormous steam explosion.

Instead of being doused by the dumped material, the nuclear reaction simply burned itself out after 10 days, Sich concluded.

"It's a new theory that I haven't heard of, but I can't say it's crazy," said Morris Rosen, deputy director of the International Atomic Energy Agency's division on nuclear safety, and the man responsible for the agency's analysis of the Chernobyl accident.

# Provo could have been Belez de Escalante, Utah

By LAEL PALMER  
Universe Staff Writer

Provo is a "very special place," according to the Provo City Chamber of Commerce as quoted in a Provo tourists' pamphlet.

Last you think they exaggerate, the unique history of the city proves what a special place this thriving metropolis really is.

The first white men to reach Utah Valley were a group of Spaniards from Santa Fe, N.M. The leader of the group was Francisco Silvestre Belez de Escalante.

Escalante and seven other men were looking for a shorter route from Santa Fe to Monterey, Calif.

The expedition group bumped into Utah Lake on Sept. 23, 1776. One man, Bernardo Miera y Pacheco described Provo in a letter home to

mother:

"This place is the most pleasant, beautiful and fertile in all the new Spain.

"It is large enough in itself to support a city with as large a population as that of Mexico city ... It contains every necessary thing for the sustenance of human life."

Provo was named after the second white man to see the briny shores of Utah Lake, Etienne Provot.

Provot was a French-Canadian trapper who came through the area looking for furs in 1825.

Historians aren't sure whether he ever actually saw Utah Lake or even actually set foot in Utah Valley, but some historians say he may have been the first settler to discover the Great Salt Lake.

Mormon pioneers came to Utah Valley in March, 1849. Brigham

Young instructed a company to farm and fish and to "instruct the Indians in cultivating the earth and teach them to be civilized," according to the 1987 Provo City Directory.

On its way from Salt Lake City, the group was met by a group of Timpanog Indians on horse-back. The Indians told the company they could not settle the area unless they agreed to sign a peace treaty with the tribe. The settlers readily agreed and the company continued into the valley.

The first thing the settlers did was to build a Fort Utah.

Provo began to flourish. A tannery and sawmill were built.

Ordinances were passed imposing penalties for swearing in the streets and prohibiting horse-racing on Sunday.

One settler said, "Being isolated

from civilization, we have not enough modern vices to attract the vile in heart."

In 1875, Brigham Young Academy was established. Twenty-nine students attended the academy that first year. Due to financial hardship, the teachers sometimes taught for low and no pay.

Since then, a few more families moved into the neighborhood, a few streets were paved and NuSkin was established — thus the modern Provo we know and love today.

Knowing the history of Provo will lead to a greater appreciation of the city beneath the "Y".

If Provot were alive today, he would be proud of what the citizens of this great city have achieved since the time of its discovery.

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# Balancing school, wedding plans hard for engaged students

By REBECCA REEVES  
Morning Editor

Trying to go to school, work and create a social life can be a real juggling act. But the act gets more intricate and demands more coordination when you throw in extra balls — like being engaged and trying to plan a wedding.

Lisa Miller, 20, a junior from Birmingham, Mich., majoring in family science, said she was taking 14 credits and working 25 hours a week while she was engaged. She said she studied and planned her wedding at work and let her grades slip.

"All we did together before the wedding was do wedding stuff," she said. "I felt like we were never going out for fun anymore because when we went out it was for our wedding. I just wanted to go on a real date and getting our picture taken didn't count."

Miller said her husband's grades slipped a lot too because he works full time in the day and took night classes. He missed a lot of class so they could spend time together and because a lot of wedding stuff needed to be done at night.

She said it put some stress on the relationship because she sometimes resented that she was doing everything, but then she realized it wasn't his fault.

"Planning a wedding is fun, but I just don't want to concentrate on it all the time," said JoAnn Broderick, 23, a public relations major from Las Vegas, who is getting married in April.

"We try not to talk about wedding plans all the time," she said. "The most important aspect of being engaged is spending quality time together and getting to know each other better."

She said school has taken the brunt end of trying to fit everything in. "We were going to get married the day after finals but we pushed it back a few days so we could concentrate on finals and not be rushed."

Her fiancé Evan Nes, a junior from Arco, Idaho, majoring in civil engineering, said it's going pretty well, but that's because most of the worries of planning the wedding fall on her.

He said his schoolwork suffered initially, until he got his priorities straight. "The biggest problem is time all at once," he said.

balancing school and spending time with your fiancée. It's just a matter of setting your priorities," he said. Broderick said they have a timeline she got out of a book that they're trying to follow to get everything done on time.

Keith Wonnacott, 22, a sophomore from Philadelphia majoring in microbiology said he was only working three to four hours a week and his fiancée wasn't going to school, so it wasn't too hard to juggle things. His fiancée lived in Salt Lake and they only saw each other on the weekends so he studied during the week. But it was hard not spending time together.

"It would have been a lot easier if we'd been able to spend a little time together each day instead of a lot of time all at once," he said.

Justin Barratt, 22, a senior majoring in biochemistry from Phoenix, Ariz., said his fiancée, Michelle, lived in Kaysville while they were engaged, so he would also study during the week and then just see her on weekends. He said time was pretty tight and he spent a lot less time studying.

Mark and Loralee AhMu also spent less time together during the week, then went and did stuff on the weekends. "Luckily we were in the same major so we could do homework together," said Loralee, a senior from Salt Lake majoring in management information systems.

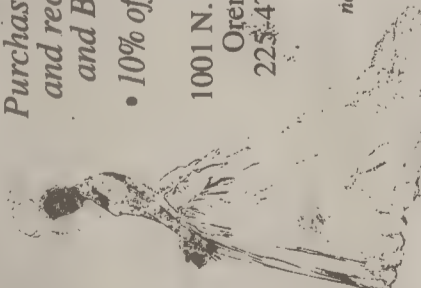
She said if you're engaged, "focus on your studies and try not to just blow off school because you'll just have to make up for it later." Mark said to "keep one foot in

reality. Sometimes when you get engaged you go off into la-la land and that's when you're on the verge of nirvana. A lot of times when that happens you lose sight of other important things."

Loralee said the best thing they did was get married in spring so they had two months to take off, relax and just enjoy being married. She said she knew a couple who got married on a Friday and were back at school on Monday and now they're not really into school.

"What helped a lot was getting my family involved with wedding plans," she said.

She said she got married a week after finals, but the week before, "we knew we were getting married, but there was so much going on it didn't feel like we were."



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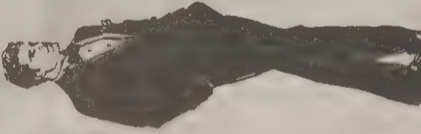
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# Married couples choose new options in the name game

By CLAUDIA ARGUETA  
Senior Reporter

When Sally Smith marries Todd Thompson she will not necessarily become Sally Thompson. While most women continue to take their husband's name at marriage, many are choosing other options, some of which include name changes for the groom.

"About 15 years ago it became popular to hyphenate names," said BYU law professor Lynn Wardle. "Now, there are more women keeping their name, rather than hyphenating."

Wardle said hyphenating a name was a distinctive symbol of commitment to equality for women.

"There was a particular period of time when that (hyphenating) had meaning," he said. "It no longer has meaning because people don't feel the need to symbolically express their commitment to something everyone else agrees to."

Wardle said many women today keep their maiden names for professional reasons.

"They may want to keep their professional identity, but after a while it becomes more convenient to have a single identity," he said. "They may keep their names during the transition until they wrap up the loose ends."

Surname trends are also affecting some grooms as old traditions are abandoned and new ones are created.

Mark McGee became Mark Ashurst-McGee when he married Angela Ashurst in December 1992.

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"For me, it was a spiritual decision," said Ashurst-McGee, 25, a senior from Albuquerque, N.M., majoring in math and history.

"When a woman gets married she gets her husband's name, so I thought when I get married I want to take my wife's name," he said. Mark Ashurst-McGee said he didn't want to give up his own name so joining the names seemed like a good solution.

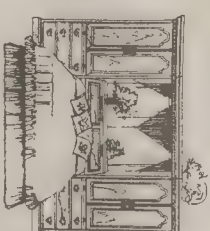
"The most important thing is sharing a name," he said. "When we got married, it was like becoming one." Angela Ashurst-McGee, 22, a senior from Pueblo, Wash., majoring in English, said she enjoys having a name that reflects both families.

The Ashurst-McGees considered several options before they chose their name.

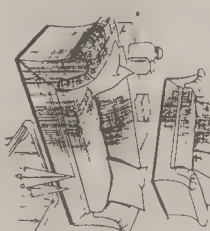
"We thought about doing half and half and merging portions of our names, or making up something totally new or even hyphenating our mothers' maiden names," she said. Breaking tradition could cause some problems, she said.

"We feel good about it, but for the rest of the world it is a pain in the neck," she said. "People don't use our last names, but call us by our first names because it is such a mouthful."

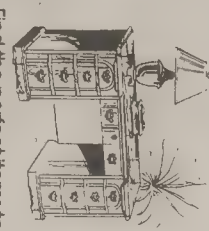
She also said her grandmother was uncomfortable with the idea. "I don't see why you have to change the way things are done,"



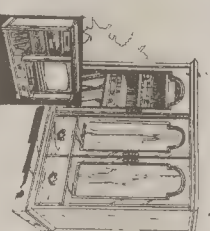
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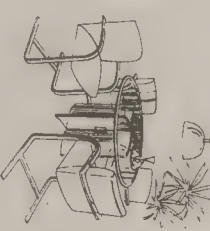
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## Wedding responsibilities numerous

By EMILY SELDEN  
Utah State Writer

When planning a wedding the bride, groom and others close to them are traditionally responsible for several duties. The following is a list of several specific wedding duties, a checklist for who is responsible for them and who traditionally pays for them.

### Checklist for bride

- Set date
- Formal or informal reception
- Reserve reception hall
- Choose attendants
- Invitation list
- Arrange reception
- Plan future home
- Register at store
- Choose dress for self and attendants
- Order and mail invitations
- Choose mothers' dresses
- Bride's books
- Ceremony time
- Gifts for attendants
- Medical exam
- Marriage license
- Showers
- Wedding portrait
- Order wedding cake
- Prepare and deliver newspaper announcement prepared
- Transportation for wedding party
- Preparations to record and display gifts
- Record gifts received
- Check and confirm caterer
- Check reception seating and decorations
- Arrange for moving and packing
- Check clothing for wedding party
- Bridesmaids' luncheon
- Final guest estimate to caterer

### Grooms checklist

- Temple recommends
- Rings
- Guest list
- Choose best man and ushers
- Gifts for best man and ushers and bride
- Plan honeymoon
- Marriage license
- Medical exams
- Bride's bouquet
- Wedding certificate
- Mother's flowers

### Duties of the best man

- Charge of ushers
- Wedding ring
- Obtain marriage license fees from groom
- Help groom prepare for wedding
- Assist couple getting away from reception

### Duties of the ushers

- Receive gifts at door
- Assist at reception
- Head usher assists wedding party and photographer

### Groom's Parents duties

- Call on bride's family
- Express approval
- Guest list for bride

### Bride's Parents Expense list

- Invitations
- Announcements
- Photographs
- Rental of reception hall
- Fees for music
- Flowers for reception

- Bridesmaids' luncheon
- Transportation
- Refreshments at reception
- Wedding gift
- Wedding cake

### Groom's Parents Expense list

- Clothes for wedding
- Own traveling expenses
- Wedding gift
- Wedding breakfast

### Both Bride and Groom expenses

- Thank-you notes

### Bride's expense list

- Groom's rings

- Wedding gift for groom
- Presents for bridesmaids
- Personal stationery
- Medical exam
- May assume some of parents' duties

### Groom expense list

- Marriage license
- Medical exam
- Bride's ring
- Gift for bride
- Bride's bouquet and corsage
- Boutonnieres for men
- Flowers for mothers
- Gifts for ushers, best man
- Accommodations for best man, ushers
- Honeymoon

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Education, marriage both important

The summer before my freshman year I read a cartoon fastened to a friend's refrigerator depicting a scene from the founding of our nation. It pictured Thomas Jefferson and John Adams, dressed elegantly reclining and comfortably and looking over the "Declaration of Independence." As Jefferson reads the famous passage, "We believe all men are created equal," he is highly praised by Adams who remarks emotionally, "Beautiful, Thomas, beautiful." In the background, Jefferson's haggard wife is on hands and knees scrubbing the wooden floor.

In the past decades, a woman's part in society has taken on a meaningful and supposedly "equal" role to that of a man. The cases where this is still not so, are a substantial source of grief in my life and many women's lives.

I addressed this issue in my freshman English 115 final paper which included the above constitution cartoon and was titled, "A Note to Career-Minded Women, and All You Silly Little Boys at BYU." The paper drew applause from my teacher, a 27-year-old single, attractive woman.

I don't believe it's correct to call young men "silly little boys" now (the appellation itself is a bit immature). However, the core issue I addressed in my freshman paper is still at large at BYU and has been reinforced to me during my five-year stay.

Through my own nearly completed education, I have had experiences that will only make me a better wife and mother and have opened my eyes to the world and new ideas. It has given me a sound career foundation upon which I plan to build now, and can rely upon solely if ever forced to be the solitary breadwinner for my family.

I came to BYU with three older married sisters extolling the difficulties of married life. I had no desire to participate in their trials, and proceeded to write the above mentioned paper as a "guide" to a complete education. Fulfilling career and celestial family life for career-minded women at BYU.

My sisters had all married older men from BYU, and hence my "plan to survive solo" originated: don't date older men (they're looking to get married), don't date too frequently (it only brings about dating burnout and desire for stability) and study abroad frequently (it is hard to fall in love with someone you can't communicate with).

Growing up with four sisters and no brothers, I learned to be boy crazy at an early age. Although it wasn't hard to not date older men at BYU as a freshman (there aren't many desirable upper classmen who want to go out with a freshman fresh from high school). I enjoyed men's company far too much. I could not make myself be an extremely disciplined, focused woman who didn't mind spending exhaustive, sequential evenings in the library. I did what was necessary to get decent grades and had a blast with my fellow puerile freshman.

After "my missionary" left right before my sophomore year, I didn't date for six months. I felt great and knew that I was finally that type of

woman that just didn't need men. Then, I spent the remainder of the year studying abroad in Mexico with people I couldn't communicate with and was sure I couldn't fall in love with because of the language barrier. Needless to say, "tall, dark and handsome" aren't in Spanish at an amazing rate.

My junior year I began dating a blond southerner. I must have really liked him a lot because halfway through the year I ran off to Russia and spent six months in Moscow. I was in the arts, hated communism, worked for a newspaper, lived in a tiny apartment with natives, learned Russian, gained a bunch of weight and big determination to break up with this blond the very next time I saw him. I was sure I was still too young to get married. I was still too young to get married. I wasn't very nice, considering his phone bill.

After dating for so long, marriage hasn't been that much of an adjustment.

The biggest issue in our marriage is him leaving his wet towels on our bed, and his conversion of my shoe rack into a bookshelf. For a more unbiased list of issues, ask him.

One of the best things about getting married was our interview with a member of the stake presidency. He discussed the true meaning of man being the head of the home and told my husband to become a homemaker.

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**By BETHANY HANKS**  
*Universe Staff Writer*

The traditional BYU engagement story starring a female freshman who sports the diamond of her newly returned missionary may need some rewriting for the 1990s, as more women wait longer to marry, and marry younger men.

Several theories based on social changes, new views of masculinity, and unbalanced gender populations try to explain traditional age variances in marriage.

Social explanations point to the fact that women focus on achieving educational degrees, serving missions, and establishing careers in addition to getting married.

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Moncur, 22, a family science major from Lovell, Wyo., currently serving as senior class president, said female students at BYU place great value on getting their degrees and going on missions.

"A degree is life insurance," Moncur said.

"Many girls want an education because we are from a generation of working mothers," she said. "Girls see the growing need to enter the work force — and if they must work, they want to be professionals."

Many women grew up with the idea that they would finish school before getting married.

Moncur said before her mission

she wanted to be an attorney, so she planned to marry around age 25.

A female junior at BYU said her father and grandparents always encouraged her to finish school before getting married.

"It is so important to get an education because that is one thing a person carries through this life and the next life," she said.

"I have my whole life to be married," she said. "Once a girl gets married, financial obstacles or pregnancy may easily keep her from finishing school."

Cecelia Fiedling of BYU public communications said 12 to 13 percent of women at BYU are returned missionaries.

Moncur said she decided when she was young to go on a mission.

"Whenever my primary chorister asked the boys to stand and sing 'I Hope They Call Me on a Mission,' I would stand on my chair with the boys and begin singing along," she said.

Like Moncur, other women come to BYU with the goal to serve a mission. Some desire to serve missions not to postpone marriage, but to prepare themselves for marriage and the responsibilities of motherhood.

Paul Husselbee, '33, a graduate student from Johnstown, Pa., working toward a master's degree in mass communications, married a returned missionary. He said it's hard to overestimate the value of a spouse who has served in the mission field.

"Because my wife had weathered some extremely turbulent storms in

the mission, she was better prepared for the trials that naturally accompany raising a husband and three children," he said.

As women wait longer to marry, some of them marry younger husbands. Arlene Derenski and Sally B. Landsburg, authors of "The Age Taboo," said 4 percent of married women in the U.S. have younger husbands.

Missions can be a catalyst for matching younger men with older women. Ilamae Barker, Utah responsibilities."

The two authors said the social norm for marrying an older man originally stemmed from the need for physical security or protection. They said women today are more attracted to men who can fulfill their emotional needs. This new view of masculinity decreases the social emphasis on age.

Derenski and Landsburg said men today marry older wives because

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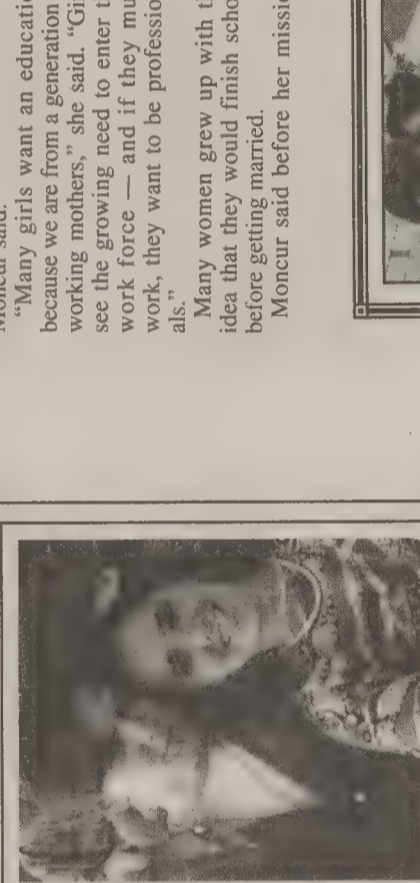
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# Married housing waiting lists pose challenge to BYU couples

By AMY RAE LEMON  
University Staff Writer

Finding available housing is a challenge newly-engaged BYU couples often face because students generally have to wait in line for married housing units.

A traditional choice for many BYU students is Wymount and Wyview family housing. This BYU campus housing offers apartment units and trailer units at a relatively low cost.

Unfortunately the price paid for low-cost campus housing is time spent on a waiting list.

There are approximately 1,700 applicants on the waiting list for campus housing which causes almost a 15-month waiting period.

The waiting period fluctuates according to the number of people moving out and an unpredictable turnover rate.

Rana Lehn/Daily Universe

paper in the rental section to find apartments." One reason Kevin and Tanya Leal moved from BYU-approved housing to Pebble Creek Apartments was to avoid BYU waiting lists. "We like regular family wards a lot better," Tanya said. Complexes that normally cater to single students are beginning to rent out empty units to married couples. Branbury Park Apartments currently have 58 units rented out to married couples while 252 units are reserved for single students.

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**OUR HOUSE:** Ralf Lehmann, a computer science graduate student, and his wife, Ashley, a senior majoring in sociology, make themselves at home in their new apartment with their plant, a house-warming gift. The Lehmanns spent 5 months looking for an apartment in their price range. They found their apartment through a friend.



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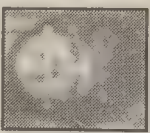
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Approval procedures consist of calling prior landlords and checking to see if the applicant paid their rent on time or if there were any other problems," Wilcox said.

More than half of the tenants at Villa Maria are BYU students even though it is not a BYU-approved housing complex.

Couples often find out about off-campus housing complexes through friends or by checking local papers. "We got referrals from other students on places to live," said Tanya Leal, a junior from Shelley, Idaho majoring in history education. "We mostly looked through the Provo

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# Wedding celebrations can come with a big price tag

By MARNEE MORTENSEN  
University Staff Writer

As the excitement mounts when two lovers meet to plan their new lives together, and the upcoming wedding festivities, do couples ever throw their hands in the air, grab the money and run to a tropical oasis to tan their toes, sip virgin pina colodas and jam to steel bands?

Even when the subconscious (or conscious) is shouting, "Don't do it; don't do it. It's just a tradition," people resist. It's just a tradition, people resist. It's just a tradition, people resist.

If all the wedding costs start to blur the vision and the engagement ring starts slipping off a sweaty finger, one thing to remember is there are many options to help couples plan their weddings by their budget needs.

People differ considerably on what they think one should spend on a wedding. One father of BYU students from Sandy, spent \$60,000 per daughter, both married within two years of each other. He said, "It's sort of like a major one- or two-time purchase depending on how many daughters you have kind of like buying a house. Socially, it's a celebration. It's your chance to have a big party for all your good friends. His biggest expense was food. They

rented the grand ballroom at Little America which costs \$18 to \$25 per plate. At each wedding the food came to about \$25,000 which includes an 18 percent gratuity tip.

They also hired a band to play at Little America. "We had a great time," he said. "People came and stayed for 2 or 3 hours. They danced and visited."

The price of the flowers for his daughters' weddings came to \$6,000 each. "We use a lot of flowers to decorate the buffet tables," he said. Photography came to \$4,000 for each daughter. The girls designed their own dresses and had someone else build them. One daughter spent \$6,000 and the other spent \$2,000.

The mother of one former UVSC student from Sandy spent \$6,000 for the wedding festivities. The mother said it was going to be a winter daughter. "You can have the same amount as your sister and do with it what you choose," she said she could have done the wedding for half the cost in the spring or summer.

"Having it at a reception center is a lot less work than at home," she said. "If you do things right, you can have a good reception that's inexpensive," said Lara Pedersen, a BYU student from Idaho Falls. One hint to keeping the price down is to have it in

the right season. "It's probably easier in the summertime. It's less expensive since you can do it outside," Lara said.

Her mother, Janice Pedersen, made her wedding dress and the bridesmaid dresses cutting that cost to one-third. They also made the food, which cut the cost by one-third.

"I think it would be worth it if I kept under \$2,000. My ideal, if I could talk my kids into it, is to get married in the temple and then have a nice family dinner. Janice said, "Then I'd give them money to go out and get the things they need."

If given the option of the money or reception, Lara said, "I'd take the money and go on a cruise or go to Italy or somewhere. I wouldn't do it before, but now I would."

Between the dresses, flowers, reception, luncheon, photography and invitations (not to mention the cost of the ring or the honeymoon), money is quickly drained.

The cost of bridal dresses vary. Some choose to rent or design their own while others buy directly from the store. According to Peggy's bridal center, most people are not spending that much on a dress. The average price of a wedding dress ranges from \$300 to \$650.

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## Y clinic helps engaged students

By EMILY SELDEN  
Universe Staff Writer

Students who are engaged or considering engagement may want to enhance their relationships by attending 8-week-long small group marriage preparation seminars offered by BYU's Comprehensive Clinic.

"It's for people who are considering getting married and want to know what it's all about," said Bonita Holt, a graduate student in marriage and family therapy who is co-running the next seminar.

Each group consists of no more than eight couples and discusses different topics each meeting such as communication, intimacy, problem solving and finances, Holt said.

"Studies have shown that people who do attend some form of counseling or group setting tend to have fewer problems adapting to their marriage and building a good relationship," Holt said.

Clark Hammond, also a graduate student in marriage

and family therapy who is co-running the seminar with Holt, said that the group setting is nice because questions get brought up that some group members might not have realized they had.

"[The group] is beneficial because it brings couples together to focus on particular aspects of their relationship that they're going to have to talk about sooner or later," Hammond said.

"It opens eyes and gives you a look at what you are getting into," Holt said.

The program is evaluated each time it is run and student suggestions are implemented to make the program fit students' needs, Holt said. One topic that has been added on request is how to deal with in-laws, she said.

Holt said that friendships form among group members as they share ideas and experiences with each other. Some members will organize parties and activities outside the weekly meetings, Holt said.

When speaking of the classes, both Holt and Hammond agreed, "It's a whole lot of fun."

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## Midterm matrimony benefits school work, say some students

By JENNIFER CARR  
Universe Staff Writer

Choosing a wedding date can be difficult.

Not wanting to get married at the same time everyone else does, or not wanting to wait for a school break creates a stiff schedule for many BYU students.

Some students never think about getting married in the middle of a semester, but three couples said it was a great option: Jewelee and Jason Rose, Ben and Amanda Harrison and Rick and Monika Lyons.

"I can't imagine getting married in December and going through finals at the same time," said Jewelee Rose, a senior from Springville majoring in Near Eastern studies.

A common factor between the Roses and the Harrisons is that during their engagements, concentration on school was minimal.

"When you're engaged all you think about is getting married," said Ben Harrison, a senior majoring in English from Provo. "Getting married saved the semester."

The Lyons had a different opinion. While Rick Lyons, a senior from Orem, studies Italian, Monika Lyons, also of Orem, works.

While they were engaged, she reminded him about papers he needed to get done.

Even though Monika Lyons is not a student, her employer gave her the week before her wedding off because "engaged people didn't balance," she said. Her employer was speaking about an employee's

cash drawer.

According to Amanda Harrison, a senior from Kaysville majoring in family science, the adjustment to married life was easier because she got married in the middle of the semester.

"Getting married in the semester made the adjustment easier, because you get into a routine fast. You learn quickly how to live together," she said.

The largest problem that the couples spoke about was finding appropriate housing.

"We were going to live in an old house with turn-of-the-century paint, carpet and plumbing, but we lucked out," Rose said of their apartment.

Before the Lyons found their apartment, they went to see a less-desirable one that required them to fill out an application just to be interviewed — behind twenty other couples who were looking.

"I thought, 'fill out an application for this place?'" said Rick Lyons, "I'm not going to work for something I don't want."

"To get the basement apartment we're in now, we had to pay October and November's rent," said Monika Lyons. "We didn't even move in until the end of November."

The couples seemed to agree that getting married at any time would be stressful, but Rose voiced an attitude common to each of the couples.

"Being married is great! It takes so much stress off you," said Rose, "I'm glad I didn't wait."

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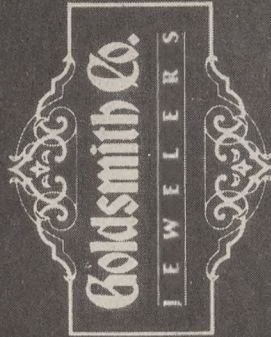
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her grandmother said. "I was good enough for me and good enough for your mother, so why do you have to go and mess things up?"

Kurt Dammann, 25, a senior from Murray majoring in business, also had an unfavorable reaction we he decided to change his name after he married in April.

"We are going to take the first two letters of my fiancée's name and the last four letters of my name to create a new name, Armann," he said. While his mother seemed pleased with the idea, Dammann said his father was sad and displeased with the change.

"He felt like he gave me a good name and he wanted his name to continue through his lineage," Dammann said.

Dammann said he and his fiancée chose to take this name because they wanted to share a name but felt that the existing tradition was sexist and unequal for women.

"The benefit is that my wife will feel like she is starting out as an equal in the relationship and we won't have to live with what we think is a sexist tradition," he said.

"There are good psychological benefits for the woman and I know I am living up to my moral beliefs." Men can add a new name, according to "custom and repite," as easily as women can when they get married, Wardle said. Mark Ashurst-McGee said he just went to the social security office and filled out a form to add a name and get a new card.

To formally change names, a petition must be filed and a court appearance is required, said Wardle. In Provo, there is a \$70 fee for the procedure. "A person can use any name they want as long as they don't use it to defraud people or evade creditors," Wardle said.

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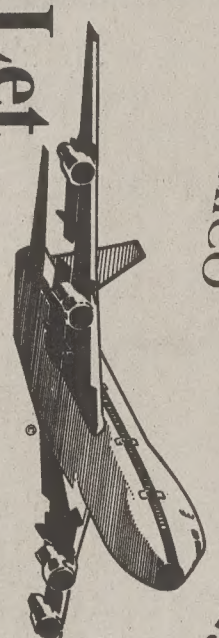


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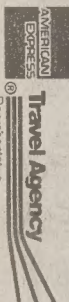
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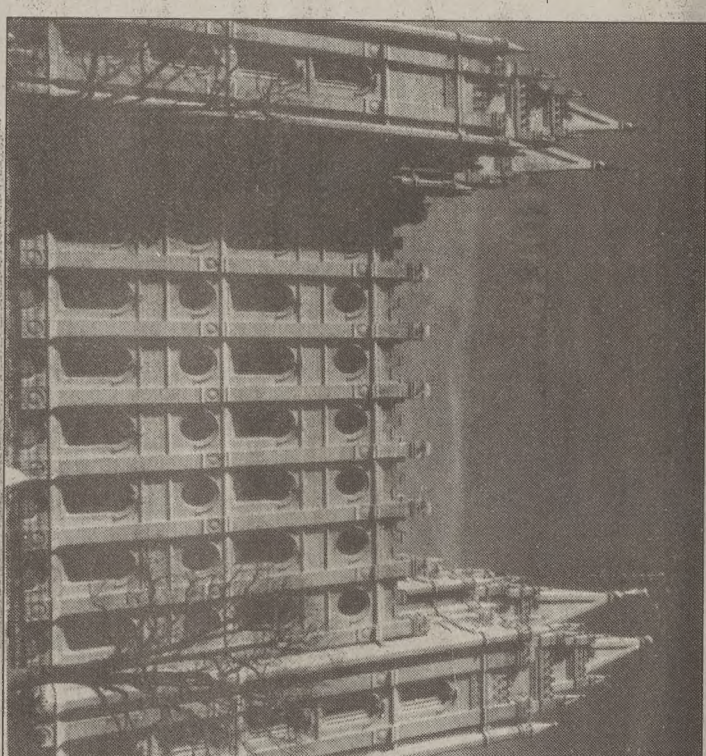


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## LDS temple sealers work overtime on popular wedding days

By HEATHER McDONALD  
Universe Staff Writer

Despite an increasing demand for marriage sealing appointments at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints' Utah temples, representatives from the temples say no one is turned away.

"We do accommodate everybody," said a Provo temple recorder. "We'll extend our hours if we have to."

That is exactly what happened on Dec. 18, 1993 in the Salt Lake City temple — an extension of nearly four hours.

The Salt Lake LDS temple, because of its heritage and emotional ties to members is a "favorite" place for Mormons in the area to be married, said one temple recorder.

Newlywed Inger Erickson, a senior majoring in art history from Orem, was married Dec. 28 at the Salt Lake Temple, along with close to 90 other couples.

She doesn't think being married on one of the busiest days of the year made it any less memorable. "Even though there were so many marriages, time was arranged for every couple to have a few minutes alone in the Celestial Room," Erickson said.

Although there were family and guests everywhere, the temple workers were very organized and not rushed. "The temple workers really know who you are — they seemed to realize that it was to be my only wedding day," she said.

While couples do have security in selecting the day of their wedding,

overhead that most jewelers have. They have to pay for everything from stock maintenance to space rental, and that means high overhead. You pay mainly for service at the small businesses."

"Small business gives you better prices because it's out to undercut the jewelers," said McClean.

Jewelers say the small businesses make up for the overhead by selling very few stones and charging high mark-ups. They also say small businesses can't provide the services and guarantees customers might need down

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the road. "I think you're very limited when you buy from those who sell from the home," said Robison. "They aren't professional and they don't have the service to take care of future problems."

A good, average-sized local jeweler is still the best source for diamonds," said R. Tim Branscomb, president of Sierra West jewelers and a certified gemologist. Large chains and small businesses selling out of the home each have their problems with cost.

"Longevity in the diamond industry is important," said Branscomb. "You need to know that you can trust the individual selling the stone."

Branscomb said those looking for diamonds should check out the experience and credentials of sellers.

"People get suckered into buying average stones because they don't know what to look for," McClean said.

Jewelers and small businesses alike agree that it's smart to shop around before buying a diamond, not only for the best price, but the most experience and the best quality.

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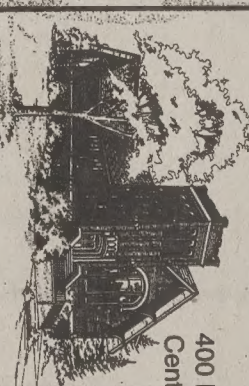
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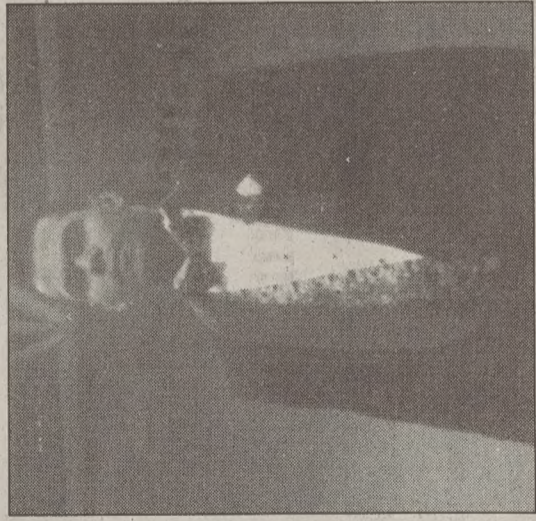
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### Couples reflect on weddings, what they would do different

BY TRACY HELMER  
Universe Staff Writer

After months of planning and endless hours of headaches, a wedding should be near perfection, but those who have been through that one-time event have some advice on what they would do differently to make it even better.

Dave and Katherine Havel, who were married Jan. 14, said they would take more control of what pictures the photographer took.

"Three-fourths of the pictures were just of us," Dave said.

He said he would have liked more pictures of both families. Dave also suggested couples take a time-out during the line to get something to eat and drink, because the line can get tiring.

Jeff and Melinda Wilks, an accounting and a business major, also said they would stress.

have had better photography. Melinda said, "I would have made sure my dress fit better before that day."

If she could do her wedding differently, she would have given herself more time to have the dress altered.

David Charrington a second-year law student said his advice would be not to rush the preparations.

"Make certain the event fulfills all of your expectations and desires because it's a once-in-a-life-time event," David said.

Alison and Stephen VanOrden said their wedding was perfect, but people will always forget small things.

The couple forgot to order a corsage for one of their family members.

Belinda Carn, a business major from Salt Lake City, would not have gotten married so close to finals because of the stress.

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Branbury Park does not have a waiting list but receives about three phone calls a day concerning their married housing. "When someone puts a contract up for sale it will sell within two or three days," Russell Weaver, a Branbury Park employee, said.

"My wife and I lived here (Branbury Park) for about eight months and we liked it," Weaver said. "Some may be concerned with the noise of single students, but it was never a problem for us."

Some students buy their own place to avoid apartment hassles.

Greg and Tiffany Olson recently bought a new town house because they thought paying rent was too expensive.

"Rent was just going up and up every semester. Complexes do not give married couples a price break in the summertime because they know married students have to stay in Provo," Greg Olsen, a junior from Cincinnati majoring in business management said.

Students need to be able to afford a down payment in order to buy.

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**WE ARE JUST LOOKING:** Heather Tippels, a business major from Oregon, and Jennifer Morgan, a psychology major from Calif., look at wedding rings at Wilson Jewelers at University Mall.

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## Ring experts offer advice

By KAMILLE THORNE

Universe Staff Writer

After proposing marriage and getting the response that is dreamed about for a lifetime, it is time to go in search of the one thing that will make it official — THE RING.

Once he puts the ring on your finger it begins to sink in that you are really getting married," said Amanda Courtney, 18, a freshman from Cowpens, S.C., majoring in elementary education. "My ring is a daily reminder of the wonderful decision that I've made."

For many couples, finding the perfect ring is no easy task. "After deciding who I wanted to marry, getting a ring was the next big step," said Matt Cox, 22, a sophomore from Roanoke, Va., majoring in statistics.

"I am almost strictly an engagement specialist, rather than offering fashion jewelry," said Richard Wilson, owner of Wilson Diamonds. "The clientele is usually fresh, bright and fun. There is usually a lot of significance attached to their purchase."

A number of factors are typically considered when buying a ring. The first for many is the cost. "The price of a diamond ring ranges from \$200 to over \$10,000, but students usually spend between \$600 and \$2,000," said Frank Wareham, manager of Morgan Jewelers. "Buying a ring should be fun and couples who have already discussed how much they are going to spend and what styles they are looking for usually have more fun shopping for a ring."

The "four C's" — clarity, cut, color and karat size are thought to be typical subjects of consideration when buying a ring, but in reality most buyers don't follow these guidelines. "I would say that customers look for style, quality and value, in that order," Wareham said. "In my experience, the most overriding factor in selecting a ring for most couples is the style," Wilson

## Diamond buying made confusing by contradictory wholesale claims

By AMY CRAGUN

Universe Staff Writer

Looking for a good diamond can be as stressful as finding the right mate, and contradictory claims from jewelers and small companies selling at wholesale prices can make that search all the more confusing.

Selling to the public is not true wholesale, said Rian Robinson, diamond buyer at Goldsmith Co. Jewelers. True wholesalers supply retailers with large quantities of merchandise.

Robison said Goldsmith Co. Jewelers buys merchandise with cash which cuts interest charges and allows for cash discounts. This lowers prices and allows for direct business with suppliers.

"The small companies calling themselves wholesalers don't buy as direct as we do," said Robison. "We buy in volume, we have buying power and extensive connections."

"Sometimes they can offer a better price," said Robison. "But we have beat so-called wholesalers." The price is what attracts customers.

"Jewelry salespeople are almost like used car dealers," said Mark Backus, 22, now working at Bonneville Industrial Supply Company in Orem. "They'll do anything for your business."

Backus bought a ring from Aland and Losee Jewelers because his sister worked for the company. "I'm sure the wholesalers could give a better deal," said Backus. "You have to be careful of the quality, though."

Tony Christofferson, a graduate student in physical geography bought from a wholesaler. "I've never had it appraised. I know I saved money over the mall prices," said Christofferson. "I got a really good diamond at a really good price."

Todd McClean, a former BYU student, sold diamonds to get himself through school. "No one who sells to the public is a true wholesaler," McClean said. "We were retailers without the SALE" page 11

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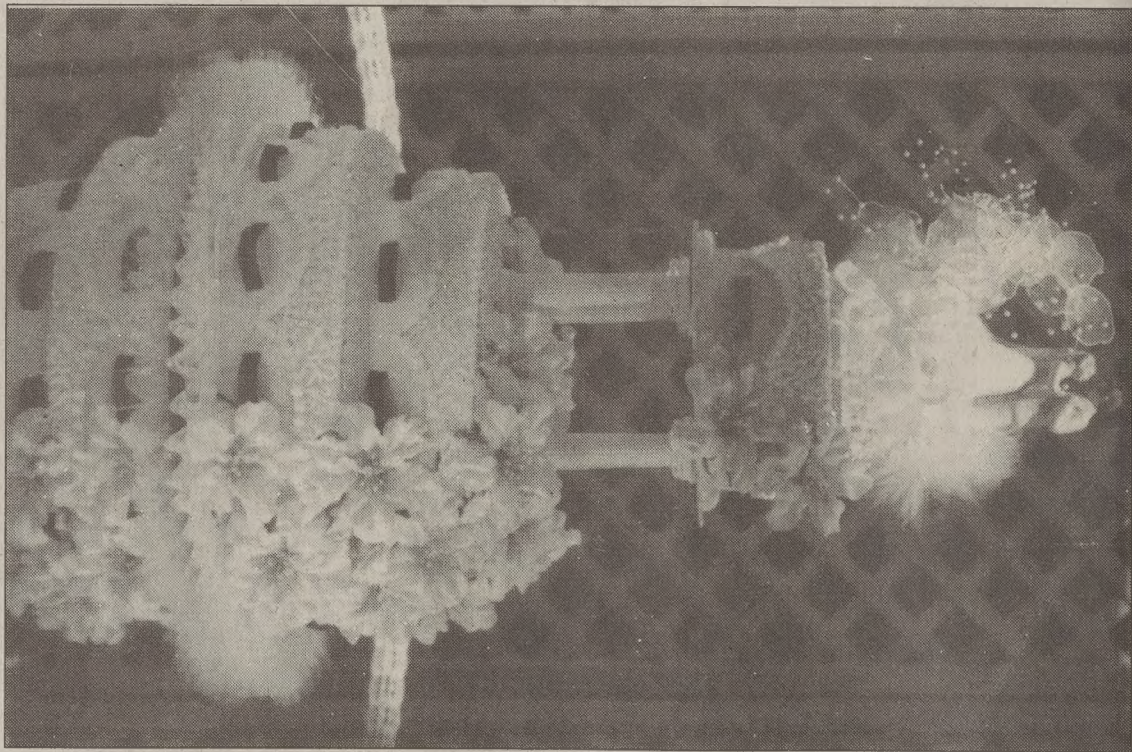
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**DIG IN:** It takes from one to six hours to decorate a wedding cake such as this one displayed at the Wedding Celebration on Saturday in the Salt Palace Convention Center in Salt Lake City.

## Wedding cakes vary with every bride, groom

By SARAH JANE CANNON

Universe Staff Writer

No wedding is complete without a wedding cake.

Images of the traditional cake, decorated with a porcelain bride and groom resting on the top tier, come to mind when a wedding is mentioned.

Or maybe the thought of couples saving a piece of their cake to eat on their first wedding anniversary is what people think of when they first see a cake.

And who can forget the moment when the groom and bride smash the cake into each others faces just after they cut the first piece together.

These and other wedding cake traditions vary, as do wedding cakes and wedding. However, one thing remains constant with every cake — someone has to make it.

It can take anywhere from one to six hours to decorate a wedding cake, which depending on size and elaborateness can cost between \$50 to \$1,000.

"Actual decorating varies from cake to cake," said Annette Jeppson, owner of Annette's Cakes and Catering. Also varying is the kind of cake a bride may want for her wedding.

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"they are more comfortable with women who are as successful or more successful than themselves."

Reasons for women marrying later, or for marrying younger men may have no relation to personal goals and needs, but may be related to social circles and gender populations.

In a dissertation entitled "Marital Choice in a Marriage Market Squeeze," author Douglas Hooper said population affects the ages at which males and females marry.

"Limited or lower numbers of males in a community increases the mean age of females at the time of marriage," he said. "Because fewer men are within the female's preferred age bracket, women go to older or younger male age brackets."

The reverse is true for men. If the number of females in the community is proportionally lower, men will likely marry older women.

Fielding said the male-female ratio at BYU is 51 to 49. David Klimck, author of "Beneath Male Selection and Marriage," said age in marriage varies with factors such as social class, and race or ethnic background.

People with limited social opportunities, or small social groups many younger, Klimck said. The marriage age of girls in small towns is younger because of "social isolation."

Klimck said people with expanded social groups as a result of a large population of similar race, ethnic and social backgrounds (which describes BYU) have increased marriage options.

With more options, women wait longer to marry, and many from a varied age group of men, including younger men.

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